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SMILING GOLD MEDAL WINNERS: Peter Jones, Keith Balcombe, Joey Silver, Nicholas Gartaganis, Gordon Campbell, Fred Gitelman

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#### PRESIDENT'S CORNER



# Dear Ganadian Bridge Llayers

My wife and I have just returned from competing in Canada Bridge Week in Edmonton. Edmonton's mayor Bill Smith welcomed players to "The greatest city in the greatest country on the planet." He might have added "to the greatest bridge event." We certainly found that it was a great week. Kismet Fung with her volunteers and Bob Christie with his newsletter all set standards that will challenge other cities in future years. Thanks also to the Edmonton Bridge

Centre and its manager Matthew Greenways for making their wonderful facility available to the organizing committee and the participants of Bridge Week.

Talk about exciting bridge! The CNTC open event winners had a margin of 14 IMPs. The CWTC winners had a margin of 4 IMPs. The COPC winners' margin was 7 matchpoints. Whew! Only the CNTC B event was a landslide victory. Every winner is a worthy champion. I wish that more Canadian bridge players could and would participate in the exciting competition of Bridge Week.

The annual general meeting was worthwhile, lively, and produced several good suggestions on ways to improve our championship events. A major goal of the CBF board during my term of office will be to act on the ideas of our members to make this truly Canadian event better and more popular. – *Jim Priebe* 

The new CBF President, Jim Priebe, was born in Saskatchewan in 1934, just after a bridge game.

Now retired, Jim devotes his time to writing, playing golf, and together with Joan, his wife of forty-six years, playing as much bridge as possible and spending time with their four children and seven grandsons. Together Joan and Jim have won twenty regional titles and placed in the overall standings in some national events.

Jim participated in bridge administration in Kingston (unit board member and President) and Montreal (member of board and President of Montreal Bridge League).

Since his retirement from Du Pont, Jim has established a second career writing. He has published articles in *Bridge Canada*, *The Bulletin*, and *the Kibitzer*. He has had a book (*Thinking on Defense*) published by Master Point Press in 2001, and expects to have more books published in the future.

Jim is looking forward to the challenges of being President of the CBF.



# A NOTE OF THANKS TO RAY LEE

On behalf of all bridge players in Canada, I wish to thank Ray Lee for

his contribution in serving as President of the Canadian Bridge Federation. Ray was Director of Zone III for 2 1/2 years and President for one year. Times have not been quiet, and Ray has given generously of his time and wisdom in guiding the CBF. Here are some highlights of his stewardship:

The Canadian Men's Team won the IOC Grand Prix World Championship in 2002. All bridge players in Canada are proud of the accomplishment.

Eric Kokish contacted leading players in Canada and prepared suggestions as to

how Canadian international teams ought to be selected in future. These suggestions, along with input from CNTC and CWTC team captains on a regular basis, will serve as input in overhauling and monitoring our process.

Our junior program is undergoing soulsearching in preparation for much needed change.

A group of 1800 CBF members (ten percent of membership) submitted a petition to the CBF asking for a look at a separate CBF organization. The outcome has been a platform for discussion and resolution of CBF-ACBL issues.

I should add to this list the many time and energy consuming administrative duties that Ray carried out ably during his tenure.

Thanks Ray! ... Jim Priebe, President, CBF

# CALL FOR CANDIDATES FOR CBF ZONE DIRECTOR

The term of office of the CBF Directors for Zone III (Units 166. 246 & 249) and Zone VI (Units 429, 430, 431, 456, 571, 574) expires on December 31, 2002.

This is to notify you that the CBF Coordinator is now accepting nominations for these positions. Any member in good standing with the Canadian Bridge Federation and residing in the Zone may submit his or her name as a candidate for the position of CBF Zone Director.

Any interested person should notify the CBF Coordinator in writing of his or her intention to run in the election for Zone Director. This notification of candidacy must be received by the CBF Coordinator no later than September 30, 2002. The Declaration shall contain the name, address and unit of said candidate and may contain biographical material which is not to exceed one hundred (100) words. The term of office for Zone Director is for three (3) years.

Units will conduct their voting during the period of October 10, 2002 to November 30, 2002.

Questions about the duties of the Zone Director may be directed to the CBF Coordinator or the present Zone Director. Information can also be found on the cbf.ca website.

Salt Lake City Diary

By Keith Balcombe

The World Bridge Federation (WBF) sponsored an attraction event (Grand Prix) just prior to the 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Olympic Games in order to promote bridge as a mind sport to the International Olympic Committee (IOC). The WBF hopes for the inclusion of bridge as a sport in the Winter 2006 Olympics in Torino, Italy. Men's, Women's, and Junior events were showcased to convince the IOC, mostly non-bridge players, that this type of event is popular and that it reflects the Olympic spirit. Officials from the WBF hope to show the IOC that bridge can fill the vacant time slot between the daytime outdoor events and the evening ice events.

As a result of these issues, this event had some very strict guidelines about a variety of aspects of Olympic life. These included restrictions about complicated bidding systems, behaviour, dress code, random drug testing and the overall high level of security. After a day or two, the players and other participants became used to these ways of life in Salt Lake City.





Keith Balcombe (top) and Gordon Campbell



The Canadian Women in Salt Lake City (Pictured above: Beverly Kraft, Dianna Gordon, Linda Lee (NPC), Katie Thorpe, Judith Gartaganis, Gloria Silverman, Francine Cimon) placed 8th in the Round Robin, not high enough to make it into the knockout stages.



Joey Silver

There were ten teams from all over the world competing in each of the Men's and Women's events plus a four team Junior event. We were to play twelve boards against each other team using IMPs converted to Victory Points based on the WBF 25 VP scale. The top four teams from each main event would qualify for the semi-finals.

Day One was a travel day for my Albertan team-mates, Nicholas Gartaganis (captain); Peter Jones and Gordon Campbell (my partner), and their wives, who drove the fifteen hours to Salt Lake City and for Fred Gitelman, Joe Silver and myself (Keith Balcombe) who all flew separately from Eastern Canada. Day Two featured a leisurely schedule with the Opening Ceremony starting at 6 p.m. and then two matches after that, with the first match against the USA on Vugraph.

The Opening Ceremony of the fourth IOC Grand Prix was graced by a number

of distinguished guests. They included Marc Hodler & Tony Khoury (members of the Executive Board of the IOC). Mario Pescante (the President of the European Olympic Committee) and Polish IOC member Irena Szewinska (the Gold Medal winner in the Olympic 400 metres at Montreal in 1976). Many of the leading figures in the world of bridge administration were also present. José Damiani (President of the WBF), Gianarrigo Rona (President of the European Bridge League), and Canadian George Retek (the President of the American Contract Bridge League). Our red and white Canadian uniforms, donated by Master Point Press and Bridge Base Inc., were spectacular compared to all other uniforms. We were very proud to be wearing them and the Canadian pins donated by John Duquette.

Well fabricated screens that divided the tables diagonally were used in all matches. Players alerted and explained their own bids, usually in writing. Since Gordon and I play a system with many detailed agreements, this was a test for us.

The Vugraph was quite well done, featuring one key match and all of the results from the other matches. Each table had its own set of computer preduplicated hands, so each table played the boards in the same order. This allowed for a running comparison of each match. The players who sat out could watch the Vugraph and have the nerve wracking experience of following their team's progress, even if their team was not involved in the featured Vugraph match. North usually performed quite a bit of paperwork, including

the official score card for the table and separate score slips for each hand. These score slips were then hand carried to the Vugraph. The featured match was excellently covered by two cameras on closed circuit TV and enhanced by expert commentary from Barry Rigal, Eric Kokish, Bobby Wolff, George Jacobs, and others.

Canada displayed some good bidding judgment to land our first big swing against the USA in Match One. Fred and Joey were on Vugraph against Cohen and Berkowitz.

WEST ★ Q9432 ♥ Q + K63 ★ A943	NORT	9542 5 H 6 52	EAST ♦ AJ ♥ AJ98743 ♦ void ♣ KQ102
	H ROOM <b>NORTH</b> Berkowitz -	<b>EAST</b> Silver -	<b>SOUTH</b> Cohen I∳
Pass 4♥	3+ (1) 5+	3♥ 5♥	3 <b>∳</b> Double
All pass			

(I) weak

CLOSED	ROOM		
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Freeman	Gartaganis	Nickell	Jones
-	-	-	1+
♠	3+(1)	Double	Pass
4*	4	6*	All pass
(1) weak			•



Fred Gitelman

In the Closed Room, the bad breaks in clubs and hearts doomed the 6\* contract; Freeman could manage no more than eleven tricks. A key bid for Canada was the 4\* bid that stole the opportunity for Nickell to cue bid in order to clearly invite slam. Well done Nicholas Gartaganis for that bid.

In the Open Room, Gitelman did well to raise his partner on a singleton honor, but he must have had some trepidation when Cohen applied the axe. Cohen was no doubt pleased to hear the opponents reach the five level in his second best suit. The lead of the +A seemed to give up a trick, but the contract was cold on any lead because Cohen was destined to be endplayed at some point to lead a spade or a diamond. Silver ruffed the +A and played a low heart, winning the queen in dummy when Cohen played low. Joey dis-



Peter Jones

carded the **\*J** on the **\***K and played a spade to the Ace, followed by the **♥**A. Silver soon claimed for +850 and a 14 IMP gain for the good guys.

At the end of Day One the Canadian Men's team was in the lead. (Editor's note: Due to space constraints, Keith's great Diary has been truncated significantly. I took editorial license and elected to print most of the exciting semi-final match against Italy. Look for the complete piece, including the finals vs Poland, on the CBF website!)

In our match against Poland, Gordon and I sat down against the reigning World Pair Champions, Michal Kwiecien and Jack (Pepsi) Pszczola, arguably the best pair in the world. They turned out to be very nice people. The match hinged on the last two boards. Here is the second:

	NORTH ♣ Q1054 ♥ KQ92 ♣ void ♣ QJ753	
WEST	()	EAST
🛧 A96		<b>♦</b> Κ
♥ A87		♥ 106
♦ 1064		AKQJ8532
♣ K982		♣ A4
	SOUTH	
	✤ J8732	
	♥ J543	
	<b>♦</b> 97	
	÷ 106	

## VUGRAPH ROOM

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Balicki	Silver	Zmudzinski	Gitelman
I♣(I)	Pass	2 (2)	Pass
2NT	Pass	3+	Pass
3NT	All Pass		
(1) Polish	(2) 5+, GF	:	

#### CLOSED ROOM

WEST	NORTH	H EAST	SOUTH
Campbell	Pszczola	Balcombe	Kwiecien
Pass	Pass	2 <b>*</b> (I)	Pass
2 (2)	Pass	3+	Pass
4	Pass	5+	Pass
6ŧ	All Pass		
(1) antificia	foreing	(2) antificial f	orging

(1) artificial, forcing (2) artificial, forcing

Neither partnership dealt very well with these hands. I opened a strong 2\*, mostly to try to freeze out the aggressive Poles. I never really thought that slam was a possibility. The Polish auction was probably predicated on their light opening bids with most 11 hcp balanced hands.

**CBF CHARITY REPORT** - Minutes of the Meeting of the Trustees of the Canadian Bridge Federation Charity Foundation held at the Roehampton Hotel, Toronto, ON, on Saturday, May 4, 2002 can be found on the CBF website **www.cbf.ca** 



Nicholas Gartaganis

Men's Teams Final Round Robin Standings

I	Italy	173
2	Norway	144.3
3	Poland	141.5
4	Canada	140.7
5	Indonesia	135
6	Brazil	129
7	Egypt	129
8	USA	127
9	India	113.5
10	Australia	109

Well done to both Italy in the Men's event and France in the Women's event.

The round robin winner had the right to chose its opponent from the other qualifiers. There were to be four quarters of twelve boards,the first quarter today and the balance of the match tomorrow. At dinner time we found out from Nicholas that Italy chose Canada and that Keith and Gordon would not play until the next day.

#### **SEMI-FINAL VS ITALY**

Italy had the maximum carry over allowed by the conditions of contest, 6 IMPs. Nicholas and Peter faced De Falco and Versace on Vugraph while Joey and Fred faced Duboin and Ferraro in the Closed Room. Here's a hand that may cause Gartaganis a sleepless night or two (EW Vulnerable).

WEST ★ A109 ♥ J108 ↓ K107 ★ 10732	<ul> <li>↓</li> <li>↓</li> <li>↓</li> <li>↓</li> <li>↓</li> <li>SOI</li> <li>↓</li> </ul>	JTH Q873 KQ765 Q2	∱ ♥ ♦	
Jones -	NORTH DeFalco - 3* (1) All Pass	Gartaganis I♣		<b>SOUTH</b> Versace I♥ Pass
	ROOM NORTH Silver - 24 (I)			SOUTH Gitelman I♥ 4♠

Double All pass

5♥

4NT

(I) Fit showing

Unfortunately for Canada, Gitelman took the save in what turned out to be the wrong suit. 6♥ suffered a spade ruff for -800, while 6♦ only goes down -500.

6.

6♥

A cool 23 IMP swing would result from the play of the diamond suit by Gartaganis. Gartaganis skillfully found out about the spade hcp and inferred about the heart hcp. Nicholas also found out that North probably had 5-4-3-1 distribution. The Canadian supporters in the Vugraph room were deeply saddened as Nicholas misguessed the +Q to lose 14 IMPs. Classy and cool folks that they are, Nicholas and Peter shrugged off this bad result and went on to the next hand.

On the very next board, Jones and Duboin both played in 4. Duboin went two down, -200. The Vugraph commentators, looking at all four hands, found a double dummy line for one down. Jones indeed took the suggested line of play and saved three IMPs for Canada.

Canada was down by two game swings. It was about to get worse.

The Italian EW pair, Duboin-Ferraro, played in 5+ doubled, which was cold on the lie of the cards without an unlikely spade lead. Italy scored +750. The Canadian EW pair, Gartaganis-Jones, chose 5+ doubled, which was cold without a heart lead and continuation. However, Versace duly did what exactly what was required and Italy scored +200. Another 14 IMPs to Italy.

On the final board, both NS pairs got too high in 4♥, off two aces and two trump tricks. However, Jones for Canada not unreasonably underled one of the cashing aces on the opening lead trying to tap dummy and potentially preserve Nicholas' trump tricks. Unfortunately, Gartaganis did not put up the king. Another 13 IMPs to Italy as declarer scored his unsupported queen.

At the end of these twelve boards, Italy led 49-12. Almost everyone decided that the inexperienced Canadians were about to fall quickly and quietly to the reigning World Champions. We were down by 37 IMPs, but there are still lots of boards left.

Gordon and I started the 2nd quarter in the Closed Room against Duboin, my screenmate, and Ferraro. Disaster struck right away as Ferraro correctly guessed a queen to make 3NT, while Gitelman did not. Another 12 IMPs to Italy.

A flat board in a partscore battle was followed by a game swing to Canada (FINALLY!). Then a slam swing for Canada on the next hand when Duboin-Ferraro had an ace-asking mixup. Perhaps these guys are not perfect after all.

On Board 21, we lost a game swing, then a further 5 IMPs to Italy and in the end the net result of this session was that Canada lost another 5 IMPs to Italy, 29-34. We were now trailing by 42 IMPs overall. There was no time to think about this, as Gordon and I were assigned to play in the Open Room for the critical third quarter. Time to pull up our socks. I sat North with Dano De Falco as my screenmate. Gordon had Versace as his screenmate. Jones-Gartaganis faced Duboin and Ferraro in the Open Room.

The very first hand Canada lost another 10 IMPS on the play of a tricky heart game. Then we gained 5 IMPs, then two

flat boards, and then Board 5 came along (NS Vulnerable):

WEST ♣ Q4 ♥ A65 ♣ K5 ♣ K9843	<ul> <li>★ J</li> <li>♥ H</li> <li>+ (</li> <li>* \)</li> <li>2</li> <li>2</li> <li>SOU</li> <li>★ A</li> </ul>	E 4 JTH 4K106 1042 942	AST 82 873 A107 A10765
VUGRAP			
		<b>EAST</b> Gartaganis	
-	All Pass	Gai tagailis	Terraru
CLOSED	ROOM		
		EAST	SOUTH
Versace		DeFalco	Campbell
-	Pass		♠
2*	3 <b>*</b> (I)	3♠ (2)	Pass (3)

Gordon guessed the spades correctly and we scored +620 to win 12 IMPs. It's not often that a Vulnerable game is scored when the board is passed out in the other room. We now trailed by "only" 35 IMPs

All Pass

(1) strong raise (2) strong raise (3) not forcing

4\*

4

When I bid the obvious 4<sup>+</sup>, I thought that the Italians would save in 5<sup>+</sup>, so I changed my mind in midstream about what exactly to bid over 4<sup>+</sup>. I first reached for the 4<sup>+</sup> bidding card. Then I reached for the 4<sup>+</sup> bidding card, to show Gordon where my hcp were, but I did not want to risk Gordon passing 4<sup>+</sup>, so I changed my mind again and pulled out the 4+ card. This had the accidental effect of looking like indecision about bidding 4+ to De Falco on my side of the screen, so he did not even consider saving. Unfortunately, he did appear to become a little upset, perhaps justifiably so. After the hand, I felt rather embarrassed. Perhaps the lesson here, of course, is that you should never reach for the bidding box until you are absolutely sure that is the bid you wish to make.

Canada gained an overtrick IMP on the next hand, 2 more overtrick IMPs on the next, another on the next. Then on Board 9, I held: ★Q743, ♥void, ★KQ86, ★109842. Versace opened I♥ in fourth seat and I decided to double since I was at favourable vulnerability. This resulted in a 4S sacrifice from Gordon. The Italian defense was perfect, so Gordon was down 3, -500 against their Vulnerable game. Canada gained another three IMPs to only trail by 28 IMPs.

When I picked up Board 9, I noticed that Board 10 was missing. The director then delivered the missing Board 10 back. It had to be reshuffled because it was fouled. On this redealt hand, I picked up: ♦void, ♥K7432, ♦AQ|84, ♣AQ|. Gordon opened a weak Vulnerable 2♠ in second seat and then Versace overcalled 2NT. Well, I did not fly all day on Friday to pass, so I doubled. This was passed back to Versace who ran to 3+. I doubled again and everyone passed. I led a fifth best heart from the king to Gordon's ace, with J96 appearing in a featureless dummy. Gordon took some time before returning the ♥10 and now I had a dilemma.

(1) 12-14 hcp (2) invitational

Logically, the heart return should be from a doubleton heart with 6-2-1-4 distribution, otherwise Gordon would lead a club through. In spite of this, Gordon's delay strongly suggested that he had three hearts. So, I did the ethical thing and returned a heart for Gordon to "ruff". Versace dumped a club loser on the good **\***J and I was later endplayed in diamonds to give him the **\***K, but we still collected +1100 for 10 IMPs. 1100 against the World Champs; perhaps these guys are human.

The last two boards were pushes in routine games, so Canada won the quarter 34-10. Canada was now just 18 IMPs behind and on a roll. Remember that Board 10 was fouled. If you can gain 10 IMPs on a fouled board, I was personally now convinced that we were a team of destiny. I just needed to convince the rest of the world.

For the 4th quarter, Gordon and I were sent to play NS in the closed room against Lorenzo Lauria and Versace. The first hand, Board 13, brought more good news to Canada:

	NORTH	
	<ul> <li>▲ Q107</li> <li>♥ AQ96</li> <li>♦ AJ3</li> <li>♦ 197</li> </ul>	
WEST ★ AJ92 ♥ J ★ 1087 ★ K10632	<b>∻</b> ]97	EAST <ul> <li>◆ K863</li> <li>♥ K10743</li> <li>◆ 64</li> <li>◆ 84</li> </ul>
	SOUTH ♣ 54 ♥ 852 ♦ KQ952 ♣ AQ5	

VUGRAP	н коом		
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Gitelman	Duboin	Silver	Ferraro
-	<b>*</b>	Pass	1+
Pass	♥	Pass	2+
All pass			
CLOSED	ROOM		
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Versace	Balcombe	Lauria	Campbell
-	INT (I)	Pass	2*
Pass	2♥	Pass	3 (2)
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

I easily made 3NT, so Canada gained I I IMPs and now trailed by only 7 IMPs. The Canadian supporters in the Vugraph room were cheering enthusiastically.

We gained 10 IMPs on Board 15 when we defeated a 3NT that Fred made at the other table, and Canada was now actually leading the match by 3 IMPs. The Canadian spectators in the Vugraph room continued to cheer. Italy then gained 2 IMPs back for 7NT against 7\* when both EW pairs skillfully bid to a cold grand slam. Canada by one IMP.

Following that there was a part score push, still Canada by a lone IMP.

The next hand was a fairly routine 3NT for EW, very close to slam. Both tables played it well to score 660. No swing. This was the first of the remaining six boards, almost all potential slam hands for EW. Both EW pairs bid to 5+ on the following hand while fishing for slam. The +K was onside, so twelve tricks were cold. Canada clung to the one IMP lead.

On Board 21, EW were cold for twelve tricks (again) in 6♣ or even 6♥ on the 4-3 fit. Lauria-Versace bid to 3NT and Silver-Gitelman to 5♣. Unfortunately for Canada, Gordon led a spade from J1054 rather than a diamond from AJ54, so Italy made 3NT with two overtricks off five cashing diamonds. Two IMPs to Italy, so Italy now led by 1 IMP. The players could only guess at the score, but it had to be close. Board 22:

WEST	SOUT ∳ Q ♥ 6 ∳ Q7	973 9986 ,	EAST
	NORTH	EAST Silver I ♠ 5♠	<b>SOUTH</b> Ferraro 4 <del>*</del> Pass
CLOSED <b>WEST</b> Versace	NORTH		<b>SOUTH</b> Campbell

Versace	Balcombe	Lauria	Campbell
-	-	I.♠	4♣
Double	Pass	4♠	All Pass

I did not raise to 5+ because I did not want to push them to slam. This result meant I3 IMPs to Canada, and a lead in the match by I2 IMPs. Board 23, the second last board, was a nightmare for Fred.

WEST	<ul> <li>★ 2</li> <li>♥ (</li> <li>+  </li> <li>★ 5</li> <li>SOL</li> <li>★ J</li> <li>♥ J</li> </ul>	Q97654 1075 774 JTH 86543 3 A982	EAST ◆ Q1097 ♥ 2 ◆ K64 ◆ KQJ32
VUGRAPH WEST Gitelman 2NT 3♥ 4♦ (!)	NORTH Duboin Pass Pass	Silver	<b>SOUTH</b> Ferraro Pass Pass All Pass
CLOSED WEST Versace 2NT 3 (1) 3NT (3) 4 (1) I major	NORTH Balcombe Pass Pass Pass Pass	Lauria 3∻ 3♥ (2) 4∻ 6∻	SOUTH Campbell Pass Pass Pass All Pass (3) 4 card hearts

Gitelman's 4+ bid may look strange, but there was method to his imaginative call. Fred later explained: "I knew that if I cuebid 4♥, my partner would not be able to cuebid spades, so I psyched the diamond cuebid." Ferraro led the +A and Fred put down the dummy, noting that his partner did not thank him for the thirteen cards lying on the table in front of him. Very quickly, Silver was claiming, and Gitelman feared the worst – that Silver had claimed for down one. "I thought we might have

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said, "but then I thought we had lost it on that board."

The last board was an anti-climatic part score, worth one IMP to Italy. Not knowing the score, Gordon and I rushed out to compare. The Vugraph spectators already "knew" the result, but everyone was very quiet during the comparison until it was officially determined that we won by I I IMPs. Unbelievable!! We came back from 52 IMPs down against the World Champions. We also overcame some devasting results yet each pair was able to put them in their back pocket and continue onto the next board.

Time for the dinner break and then on to the first twelve board quarter against Poland, another World Champion strength team. But we were guaranteed at least a silver medal.

Canada went on to win the Gold Medal, besting Poland in the finals by 11.5 IMPs. In closing, Keith writes:

The medals ceremony was wonderful. We held up the Canadian flag and sang the Canadian National Anthem. My wife then led a chorus of Happy Birthday for a very embarrassed Freddy, who just turned 37 years old. Nice birthday present, Fred. This turned out to be the first gold medal for Canada in a WBF team event.

Will bridge make it into the Winter Olympics in 2006? Who knows, but I will always treasure this win.

# CANADIANS PLACE 4TH IN WORLD

The 16th World Wide Bridge Contest was held last Friday and Saturday, 7th and 8th June 2002. Canadians Marc Fiset and Martine Lacroix of Chicoutimi placed 4th overall in the Saturday game with a huge 75.25% game. Not big enough though - a pair from China won with an 80.55%. 5,870 pairs competed in 321 clubs in 41 countries on the Friday, and 5,219 pairs competed in 260 clubs in 40 different countries on the Saturday. The results, commentaries, frequencies and data from both days are available at: www.ecatsbridge.com

# CONGRATULATIONS JOHN CARRUTHERS

John Carruthers has been appointed to succeed Patrick Jourdain as Editor of the International Bridge Press Association monthly Bulletin. John and Patrick will be producing the Montreal special edition and John will take over completly for the October Bulletin. John aims, as IBPA Bulletin Editor, to "keep up the high standard, regularly to publish writers from all over the world, and to help convince more colleagues outside Europe to join the IBPA".

#### SUNDAY AFTERNOON PAIRS BRIDGE WEEK

- 2.12 1. Don Holtom Louise Holtom, Edmonton AB
- 1.59 2. Bryant Town Roy Harper, Edmonton AB
- 1.04 3/4. Hoy Chow, Edmonton AB; Sharon Bahry, Irvine CA
- 1.04 3/4. Burton Voorhees Kinga Voorhees, Edmonton AB

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Complete minutes of the 2002 CBF Board of Directors meeting and audited financial statements can be found posted on the CBF website.

CBF Feasibility Study. Copies of the presented study have been mailed to all Presidents of Canadian Units, Presidents of ACBL Districts containing Canadian Units, ACBL President, ACBL CEO and all members of the ACBL Canadian Affairs Committee. As well, the CBF Feasibility Study can be viewed on the CBF website (PDF files). The study indicated three key areas that the CBF would like to pursue with the ACBL. Units are being asked to express their support or lack of support on these three key issues. If there is sufficient Unit support, the CBF will continue to work with the ACBL Canadian Affairs Committee towards improving things in these areas.

**Bridge Canada.** The ACBL has discontinued publishing, printing and distribution of any inserts along with the Monthly Bulletin as of this issue. The Board is investigating how to distribute the March 2003 issue in its current format As well Marc Fiset, Zone II Director, will head an investigation into possible alternatives for future issues.

**Bylaws.** The CBF Bylaws need some cleaning up and rewriting. Claire Jones, Zone V Director, has taken on this task. The new Bylaws will be ready for distribution by early 2003 and will be voted on at the 2003 AGM. **CBF STAC.** The 2002 STAC was a success. In the East, there were 1,644.5 tables; in the West, 658 tables. The CBF profit will be \$1,763.10.

The next Canada Wide STAC will be Feb. 17 - 23, 2003. The Board discussed the possibility of making it truly Canada-Wide, rather than East and West. To do this we would have only one Director-in-Charge.

**Code of Conduct.** The CBF is redrafting the Policies and Guidelines for CBF Junior Programs with the aim of specifically outlining what rules apply to players, what rules apply to CBF representatives and what rules apply to other adults associated with the program. Jennifer Ballantyne, Zone VI Director, will be working on the redraft.

#### National and International Teams.

James Priebe, Zone III Director, will be preparing a report and plan of action for future (after 2003) CBF National Championships and International Team Selection. The CBF wants input from concerned players and a survey was conducted of team captains at 2002 Bridge Week.

**Rules of Governance.** Mary Moulton, Zone I Director, will be preparing a discussion paper which outlines the rules of governance under which the CBF Board will operate. She will also be developing a contract between the CBF and the CBF Coordinator.

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#### **CANADIAN OPEN PAIRS**

75.0	T	Dave McLellan, Thunder Bay ON; Bill Treble,Winnipeg MB	378.08
56.2	2	Charles Roberts, Red Deer AB; Glenn Cossey, Innisfail AB	371.19
42.I	3	Alex Fowlie - Steve Willard, Edmonton AB	360.08
33.3	4	Faith Pritchard - Barry Pritchard, Edmonton AB	358.61
30.0	5	Jim Priebe - Joan Priebe, Mississauga ON	358.40
27.2	6	Neil Kimelman, Winnipeg MB; Bob Kuz, St. Andrews MB	356.79
25.0	7	John Duquette, Oshawa ON; Allan Smith, Peterborough ON	352.94
23.0	8	Kiz Fung - Piotr Klimowicz, Edmonton AB	348.07
21.4	9	Jerry Richardson, London ON; Alan Lee, Willowdale ON	347.50
20.0	10	Gerry Marshall, Calgary AB; Bernie Lambert, Viking AB	342.21
18.7	П	Robert Toffan - Wayne Shaw, Edmonton AB	341.76
17.6	12	Ross Armour - Curtis Stock, Edmonton AB	334.91
16.6	13	Steve Lawrence, Calgary AB; Lisa Cabay, Edmonton AB	333.65
15.7	14	Andrew Speers - Lawrence Dubrofsky, Edmonton AB	331.65
15.0	15	Martin Henneberger, Vancouver BC; Dianne Isfeld, Coquitlam BC	326.81
14.2	16	Alvin Baragar - Harold Brend, Edmonton AB	320.06
13.6	17	Glenn Lefebvre - Hash Mohamed, Calgary AB	317.43
13.0	18	Glen Andersen, Busby AB; Kathy Engel, Sherwood Park AB	313.39

#### CANADIAN WOMEN'S TEAMS

- 80.00 I Pat Lopushinsky Susan Culham Kiz Fung, Edmonton AB; Lorna McDonald, St. Albert AB
- 60.00 2 Kathy Adachi, Delta BC; Leslie Gold, White Rock BC; Grace Jeklin Marcia Christie, Surrey BC
- 18.00 3/4 Faith Pritchard Lloyda Jones Anita Lambert, Edmonton AB; Carol McManus Janet Dunbar ' Terri Bedard, Calgary AB
- 18.00 3/4 Paula Nowlan Christie McKinney Lisa Cabay Louise Arrison, Edmonton AB; Jill Savage, Leduc AB; Delores Hedley, Calgary AB

#### **CANADIAN NATIONAL TEAMS - FLIGHT B**

- 50.00 I John Pulles Ron Pegg Jay Anderson Brent Moulding, Saskatoon SK
- 37.50 2 Jerry Chari Sharana Basappa Gerry Lewis Dave Power, Edmonton AB; Ray Buchanan - Chris Buchanan, Morinville AB
- 11.25 3/4 Mal Yurkowski Marielle Brentnall Sharron Dudeck Ed Zubert Adam Melzak, Winnipeg MB
- 11.25 3/4 Kenny Chan Marvin Lee William Ge, Vancouver BC; Hing Kong Ho, Coquitlam BC

#### **CANADIAN NATIONAL TEAMS - FLIGHT A**

- 140.00 I Bryan Maksymetz, Coquitlam BC; Allan Graves, West Newbury VT; Gordon McOrmond, Vancouver BC; Dan Jacob, Burnaby BC
- 105.00 2 Kamel Fergani, Longueuil PQ; Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal PQ; Doug Fraser Mike Hargreaves, Victoria BC; Jurek Czyzowicz, Aylmer PQ; Boris Baran, Cote Saint-Luc PQ
- 70.00 3/4 Judith Gartaganis Nicholas Gartaganis Gordon Campbell, Calgary AB; Keith Balcombe, Oshawa ON
- 70.00 3/4 Vince Nowlan Stan Cabay Vince Lambert Maurice De La Salle, Edmonton AB; Ron Bass, Leduc AB; Doug Deschner, Red Deer AB

#### CANADIAN NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

# CNTC VICTORY POINT SCALE VOTE

A vote taken at the recent Bridge Week in Edmontaon, was overwhelming in favour of continuing to use the WBF 25 Point Victory Point Scale. The vote was:

CNTC-A 9 for WBF scale I for old scale - 8 no responses CNTC-B 3 for WBF scale I for old scale - 6 no responses CWTC 3 for WBF scale I for old scale - 5 no responses

# CHANGES TO **CNTC-A FOR 2003**

For the 2003 CNTC-A National Final, Stage I has been eliminated. The Round Robin has been increased to 22 teams. The teams will be designated as follows:

Zone I - 2 teams Zone II - 5 teams Zone III - 5 teams Zone IV - 2 teams Zone V - 3 teams Zone VI - 3 teams '02 Winners (intact) - I team Host Zone (Zone VI) - I team

If the 2002 Winner (intact) does not to take the direct qualification, it will be awarded to the Zone with the best participation.

2002 SPINGOLD: Bryan Maksymetz and Allan Graves, playing on another 4-bagger with team-mates Mike Moss and Martin Schifko, followed up their CNTC gold with a 2nd in the Spingold this July. Leading the finals after 32 boards, they lost in the end to the powerful Italians: Versace, Lauria, Bocchi, and Duboin, (augmented with USA's George Jacobs and Ralph Katz).



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2002 CNTC CHAMPIONS Brvan Maksymetz, Allan Graves, Gordon McOrmond, Dan Jacob

THE LAST SHALL BE FIRST by Bob Christie, editor, Bridge Week Daily Bulletin

I remember from my days so long ago in Sunday School that this phrase is used somewhere in the Old Testament. Never was it more true than in the dramatic conclusion to Canada Bridge Week in Edmonton and to the Flight A finals in the Canadian National Teams Championship, Firstly, Bryan Maksymetz decided over a week after entries had closed to see if he could field a team to come to Edmonton. Seventeen teams had already been admitted and if the Maksymetz entry had resulted in an odd number of teams, he would have been rejected. Jan Anderson decided that 18 was better than 17 and so the team was admitted and every place in the draw chart already set up where it said BYE it now said 18.

On the 17th round of the round robin, Maksymetz was blitzed... but Team Gartaganis failed to win an overtrick on one board resulting in Maksymetz win-

#### CANADIAN OPEN PAIR CHAMPIONSHIPS



2002 Canadian Open Pairs Champions Dave McLellan, Thunder Bay and Bill Treble, Winnipeg

ning three Victory Points instead of two. Duquette also blitzed their opponent and fell short by ONE victory point. Had Gartaganis forced the tie for 6th place, it has been rumored (albeit not confirmed) that the decision would be made by comparing the round robin match between the two tied teams and in that match. Duquette won by 24 to 6. Maksymetz would have gone home. In the quarter finals, Gartaganis chose to play against Todd instead of Maksymetz whom they had just blitzed. Jones played Maksymetz and just didn't come with their A game. Then, in the semi-finals, Nowlan chose to play against Maksymetz instead of guaranteeing an Alberta finalist by choosing Gartaganis. Had Nowlan made the other choice, this contest would have been held yesterday with, perhaps, a different result.

And so we came to 10:30 AM Mountain Daylight Time, Monday, June 24th, 2002. This nearly exhausted foursome sucked it up one more time and after 72 boards, Bryan Maksymetz, Dan Jacob, Gord McOrmond and Allan Graves were

### **MCLELLAN - TREBLE WIN AGAIN**

For the second time in three years, two friends separated by a whole bunch of wilderness, (and flying from Winnipeg to Thunder Bay is a lesson in empty space), Dave McLellan, from Thunder Bay, and Bill Treble, from Winnipeg, are the Canadian Open Pairs Champions. As can be seen from the results table, Dave and Bill matchpointed to a very respectable 378 over two sessions and bested Charlie Roberts from Red Deer and Glenn Cossey from Innisfail by almost half a board.

crowned the Flight A CNTC champions for 2002.

In discussions after the Medal Ceremony (at nearly midnight in the Edmonton Bridge Centre and before a small crowd of well wishers) Gord McOrmond admitted that he and his partner had not played a hand of bridge in over a year and only sat down two weeks before this event to work out a convention card. He also admitted that the Multi-Two diamond bids drove him crazy, but promised to practice before next year. Maybe given the success enjoyed, he would be well advised to take a 50 week hiatus. Mind you, next year is special. The winner of CNTC-A in 2003 will play off against Maksymetz for the right to represent Canada at the Bermuda Bowl. Coming second in that battle of titans ain't bad either. \$6,000.00 to LOSE. HMMM.

Next year is going to be interesting since the stakes are going up.

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2002 CWTC CHAMPIONS Pat Lopushinsky, Susan Culham, Bob Crosby (NPC), Kiz Fung, Lorna McDonald



2002 CNTC-B CHAMPIONS Brent Moulding, Ron Pegg, Jay Anderson, John Pulles

Bob Christie produced a great set of Daily Bulletins for the 2002 Bridge Week. His play by play of each day's events gave readers the feeling of being right onsite. For PDF copies of the Daily Bulletin, visit the Bridge Week web pages at www.cbf.ca/BWeek

#### by Bob Christie

The perennially guirky air conditioning at the Ramada Inn ballrooms failed, as it always seems to do, on the hottest day of the year - which just happened to be the day of the Finals of the CWTC and CNTC-B during Bridge Week this past lune. The playing site started out as a sauna and rapidly turned into a full fledged steam bath. Even if it were not the case, the tension of the playoff games themselves would have tested most deodorants

At 10:30 in the morning, two finals started at 4 tables. Even before the first hand was sorted, a small dispute erupted as one of the foursomes, having found itself a nice table right in the tepid airflow which was all the refrigeration systems seemed able to generate, stated they weren't about to leave it. One of the players indicated that the heat of the day before had made her ill and she was exercising her right not to be ill. Eventually the players relented and play began.

As the Flight B final and the CWTC final moved through the first quarter (18 boards), the hometown was cautiously optimistic when both **Chari** (Jerry Chari, Sharana Basappa,

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Gerry Lewis, Dave Power, Ray Buchanan, Chris Buchanan) and **Crosby** (Pat Lopushinsky, Susan Culham, Kiz Fung, Lorna McDonald, Bob Crosby - NPC) chalked up small leads. Imminent doom seemed to flavour the air at the half, however, as Saskatchewan's **Pulles** (John Pulles, Ron Pegg, Jay Anderson, Brent Moulding) stormed back with a 62- 3 quarter and BC's **Adachi** (Kathy Adachi, Leslie Gold, Grace Jeklin, Marcia Christie) shaved 5 IMPs off the Crosby lead.

The Chari squad earned back 4 IMPs in the 3rd, but at this rate it was going to take until the next millenium to catch Pulles and that was simply not in the cards. As the final boards were released. members of the Chari team knew it was all over but the crying, losing another 23 IMPs to their competition. It was never really close after the first guarter. Gracious in victory, John Pulles went to some lengths to make it clear that their opponents both today and yesterday (Yurkowski) had made for 2 days of the most pleasant bridge that any of them could recall. Of course, it's easy to be gracious when you win, but it was a classy gesture.

A shock to the system was seen in the 34-13 drubbing that Adachi handed Crosby, taking an 11 IMP lead. It seemed like a year of hard work was going to fail at the hands of this really superb quartet of players from the Lower Mainland. The last 18 boards of the Canadian Women's Team Championship had everybody pacing the floor. Adachi and Gold, the more experienced pair of the team, by all accounts played flawlessly. Playing



Hooray for the Edmonton Bridge Week Volunteers!

more quickly at the Adachi table, Lorna McDonald, always the pessimist, was not hopeful as she left the table since. Kismet Fung told Kathy Adachi well before the results were known that, win or lose, this had been the most exhilarating experience of her life in bridge and that her respect for the Adachi team was boundless. As the match wound up at the other table there was a crowd of close to 100 observing the last board and the comparison. Adachi quietly went out of the playing area to an isolated corner to compare and let the home town crowd have the playing space. Very classy indeed. Soon a cry rent the air. "WE WON!" Kismet Fung broke free of the crowd and went looking for Kathy Adachi and her team, not to confirm the win, but to offer congratulations over a match that ended with the winner having a margin of FOUR IMPs after 72 boards.

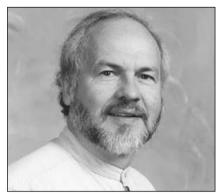
It would not be surprising to see these same 8 women sitting at very similar tables in Penticton, BC on June 7th, 2003.

#### **CANADIAN JUNIOR BRIDGE**

# MEET THE NEW CBF JUNIOR MANAGER

The Canadian Bridge Federation has recently named Ed Antosz of Windsor, Ontario, as Junor Manager. Ed is a university professor who has in his previous lives worn many hats. He was a high school teacher, founded and published a newspaper and worked as a training consultant to industry. Ed moved to Windsor from Kingston where he was actively involved in the bridge scene. He's been playing duplicate for 15 years, is a certified director, has published the daily bulletin at regionals, has worked in the junior development program in that city, and has also hosted lectures for intermediate and novice players. He is looking forward to the challenge of developing, training and selecting an international team, and also stimulating the growth of junior bridge across Canada.

The Junior Manager is responsible for the identification and assessment of talented junior players from across Canada, recommending Canada's Junior team and NPC to the CBF Board of Directors (BOD), and preparing and training the squad for international competition. He will also administer the Junior budget and funds as allocated by the BOD and communicate with junior players and the CBF on a regular basis.



Essential attributes for this position are advanced communication skills, experience in working with young people in a supervisory capacity, and skills in administration and organization.

Assisting Ed as the CBF Liason will be Bill Treble of Winnipeg. Bill has been playing for 25 years, and has attended many ACBL Nationals and Canadian National Teams Championships. He's played with several of the country's top juniors and is eager to contribute in any way he can to the success of Canadian Junior bridge at both the grassroots and international level.

Ed can be reached by email at antosz@uwindsor.ca, and Bill can be contacted at btreble@escape.ca.

Stay tuned for breaking news about the CBF junior progam, which will be posted to the CBF website in the next few weeks!

**AT THEIR ANNUAL MEETING,** the CBF Board passed a motion that in all Junior events to which Canada sends a Junior team, each player on the team must play the minimum requirements for medal qualification. The Board also passed a motion that would allow the CBF Board to send, in addition to the NPC, the Junior Manager or his designate to events to which Canada sends a Junior Team.

#### CANADIAN JUNIOR BRIDGE

# *Brin Berry* MEMORIAL FUND

2002 Grants

For 2002 the Erin Berry Memorial Fund received applications from four eligible Juniors. The following awards were made:

**Erin Anderson**: \$640 - to assist with expenses of attending the following events: Junior Scholarship Game held at the Houston NABC and attending the Washington, DC NABC.

Vincent Demuy: \$2,170 - to assist with expenses of attending the following events: Feb. Toronto Sectional, Toronto Regional, Kingston Regional, the Washington DC NABC, two practice sessions in Toronto, World Championships in Montreal and Carrousel Cup (Junior competition) in the Netherlands.

**Daniel Lavee**: \$1,234 - to assist with expenses of attending the following events: Carrousel Cup (Junior competition) in the Netherlands, the Washington DC NABC and the World Championships in Montreal.

**Gavin Wolpert:** \$1,151 - to assist with expenses of attending the following events: Carrousel Cup (Junior competition) in the Netherlands, the Washington DC NABC and the World Championships in Montreal.

Total awards in 2002 were \$5,195 which were a result of the interest earned on the account in 2001 plus a carryover of interest earned in 2000 that was not awarded.



Ian Boyd considers his play during the Carrousel Cup

BOYD WINS \$10,000 SCHOLARSHIP - Canada's lan Boyd playing with USA's Kevin Bathurst won the special junior event that came with a \$10,000 scholarship award at the Houstan Spring NABC. lan and Kevin finished one board ahead of USA's Joel Wooldridge and Brad Campbell. lan is leading the Canadian contingent in the 2002 ACBL Junior Masterpoint Race, and recently placed 3/4 in the GNT B National Finals in Washington DC, playing with David Johnson, Brenda Bertrand, and Daniel Bertrand all of Calgary AB.

KORBEL INDUCTED INTO ACBL JUNIOR CORPS - Daniel Korbel of Toronto ON was one of seven new members inducted into the ACBL Junior Corps during the Summer NABCs in Washington. The Junior Corps is an organization founded to honor those Junior players who actively promote bridge and are good citizens of the bridge world.

#### **CANADIAN JUNIOR BRIDGE**

### JUNIOR MENTORING PROGRAM

The CBF is taking a bold step to develop juniors at all levels of playing skill. The Mentorship Program, which will be instituted during the fall of 2002, is based on play and discussion, through which the skills of the junior player will be augmented.

The model of the program is a simple one. Juniors will be paired with more experienced players. The pair will play together on a regular basis, either over the Internet or at a local club. The more experienced player will help the junior develop various bridge skills such as bidding, defensive play, declarer play, carding etc.

A bridge skills checklist will be available to mentors and juniors to help identify areas of strength and weakness.

You can help with the program by volunteering your time to play with a junior. We need mentors at all playing levels as juniors vary from novice to expert. Email Ed Antosz advising him of your availablility and play level. You will be contacted and paired with a junior. Those without email, contact Ed via Canada Post. Ed's address, etc. can be found on the inside of the front cover.

## JUNIOR TRIALS

The 2002-2003 Canadian Junior Trials were held in Montreal Aug 30, 31, Sep 1. Three teams competed for the right to represent Canada at the World Junior Championships in 2003. The planned format was a double round robin with the two leading teams moving into a 64 board playoff. As this magazine was prepared prior the trial weekend it is not possible to include results here, but check the CBF website at www.cbf.ca for complete results as well as interesting hands from the competition.

## ACBL MASTERPOINT RACES

#### As at July 10, 2002

(numbers in left col represent placing on ACBL lists) **YOUTH** 

10			
2	Gavin Wolpert	Thornhill ON	262
3	David Sabourin	Ottawa ON	143
4	Samantha Nystrom	Burnaby BC	125
5	Susan Harbour	WestHill ON	122
13	Daniel Lavee	Thornhill ON	70
19	James Dulmage	Regina SK	48
23	Vincent Demuy	Laval PQ	40
26	Erin Anderson	Regina SK	35
36	Adam Thiel	Trail BC	22
42	Jeffery Yu	NorthYork ON	16
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7	lan Boyd	Calgary AB	278
9	Gavin Wolpert	Thornhill ON	262
10	Isabelle Brisebois	Ottawa ON	229
12	Daniel Korbel	Toronto ON	219
16	David Grainger	Etobicoke ON	148
18	David Sabourin	Ottawa ON	143
24	Matthew Mason	Kingston ON	131
28	Samantha Nystrom	Burnaby BC	125
31	Susan Harbour	West Hill ON	122
42	Chris Buchanan	Morinville AB	89

# NOTICE TO CLUB MANAGERS

All club managers should have received an information package in July on the next year's CBF run events. This information package included sanction applications for: CNTC, COPC, Erin Berry and Helen Shields Rookie-Master Games, and the CBF STAC. Any club wishing to hold any of these games must submit a sanction application to the CBF Coordinator. Please remember to get these sanction applications in. Emailed applications are acceptable as long as they contain all required information.

#### **CANADIAN JUNIOR NEWS**

## JUNIOR BIOGRAPHY

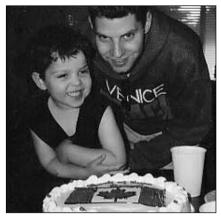
This is the first in a series of biographies featuring Canadian Junior Players, written by Junior Manager Ed Antonsz. Look for more biographies in Bridge Canada and on the CBF Website.

# DANNY MILES

Danny Miles (shown at right with cousin Zak) will be 26 years old in August. He attended the University of Waterloo where he graduated with a Math /Business degree in 2000. Following that, he lived and worked in Winnipeg for a year but currently works with the Equity Finance group at TD Securities in downtown Toronto. Danny recently wrote the second level of the Chartered Financial Analyst exam.

Away from work (and the bridge table), Danny enjoys spending time with friends, sports, movies, and runs his own homebased business. He is definitely being kept busy in Toronto!! During the weekends he tries to get out and enjoy the summer on a patio or the winter warming up at a dance club. Danny, of course, tries to play bridge at least once a week! He also enjoys returning home to visit family and friends in Winnipeg.

Danny was a member of the inaugural CNTC-B Championship team. He describes himself as having been fortunate enough to have played with many excellent and, more importantly, fun partners, a few of whom are: Erin Anderson, Brad Bart, Ian Boyd, Charles Halasi, Susie Harbour, Dan Korbel, Mike Neagu, Andrew Petrick, Jared Riley, Bobby Robinson, Jonathan Steinberg, Eric Sutherland, Bill Treble.



From the 2000 Junior Bridge Camp in Anaheim, California, Daily Bulletin – Monday August 7:

Daniel Lavee and Danny Miles won the third pairs game, defending a grand total of one contract (doubled, of course). They passed one board out, and therefore declared the remaining 19. Here was their last deal of the day:

Dealer E Both Vul	NORTH ★ AK2 ♥ 1082 ★ K98 ★ 9742	
WEST		EAST
🛧 Q97		🛧 J108653
♥ K6		♥ 94
♦ 7652		♦ Q 103
♣ KJ86		<b>♣</b> 5
	SOUTH	
	<b>♦</b> 4	
	♥ AQ 753	
	♦ A4	
	AO103	
	1 / 2100	

Danny reached 4♥ on an unopposed auction and received a spade opening lead. The key to the deal is to find a way to eliminate spades and diamonds while giv-

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bridge *Canada* 

#### 2001 TOP CANADIAN WOMAN MASTERPOINT WINNER



DESPINA GEORGAS

Interview by John Armstrong

Congratulations on being the 2001 top woman masterpoint winner in Canada. How did you do it? Thank you. My

spouse, Brent Gibbs, retired and we had the opportunity to do more traveling, so we went to some regionals and nationals and combined our interest in travel with our favourite hobby, bridge.

Who did you play with? Brent and Jan Galloway are my most frequent partners. Brent and I get along very well at the table. Brent has a terrific attitude towards the game. When he makes a mistake, it's his fault. When I make a mistake, it's also his fault.

How did you learn to play? I learned to play at the University of Western Ontario where there was always a game. I stopped playing for awhile and picked it up again in the early 80s. I think that Brent has

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ing yourself the chance for the heart finesse. The idea is to limit your club losers to one if the suit lies badly, as it does in this case.

Danny won the spade lead in dummy and did not fall into the trap of running the ten of hearts from dummy. He made the key play of a low heart to the queen. When it lost, a spade came back. Danny brought a lot of discipline to my game and forced some rigor on us. Every time I explained a bid to him, he wrote it down so I couldn't create a different meaning the next time it came up.

What kind of system do you play? Walter Galloway says it's Standard Toronto 2/1 with a few detailed understandings of sequences later in the auction.

What in bridge appeals to you enough to go all over the continent to play? There's always something new. Despite your having so many understandings there is always something new that comes up to challenge you. Plus I've been very fortunate to have good partners who are not only very good players but good friends.

What would you like to change in bridge? I think ethics provides a continuing battle. The ACBL continues to try to improve alert procedures and full disclosure but there still seem to be things which are undisclosed at the table. It's always refreshing when someone tells you what their leads and signals are and don't answer to just what you asked but willingly fully disclose their methods.

stripped off the spades (pitching a club from his hand en route), eliminated the diamonds by playing ace, king and another, and ruffing high in his hand. Then he led a heart to the carefully preserved ten. When trumps split 2-2, the stage was set for him to lead a club to the ten. West won, but had to concede a ruff and discard or return a club into the tenace. I I tricks represented the difference between a 50% board and a complete top.

# ♣ ♦ GO AWAY TRAVEL ♥ ♠

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# February 2-12, 2003

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# April 28-May 9, 2003

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# FOR THE RECORDS: THE FIRST CNTC - 1980 OR 1977?

The CNTC (and CWTC) was established as an annual event and mechanism to choose Canada's representatives for international competition. From 1980 to 2002 the winner of the CNTC has represented Canada and those winners have appeared on the CBF website as well as had their names engraved on the CNTC trophy. Nicholas and Judith Gartaganis were the first husband-wife partnership to win this CNTC event. However, in 1977, the husband-wife team of Mary and Maurice (Moose) Paul represented Canada in the 1978 first-ever Rosenblum Cup. The Pauls gualified for this event by winning a teams trial competition held in Toronto that year. Moose and Mary's team-mates were Don Cowan and Michael Cummings. The team distinguished itself by reaching the semi-finals in "The Rest of the World" group before losing to eventual finalist Brazil, defeating teams with pairs such as Kantar-Eisenberg, Sontag-Weichsel, Soloway-Goldman, and Lipsitz-Silverman (all World Champions) along the way.

# RICHMOND TROPHY

As at July 10, 2002

L	Ken Gee, Regina SK	974
2	Don Campbell, Saskatoon SK	748
3	Cameron Doner, Richmond BC	564
4	Barry Harper, Regina SK	551
5	Martin Caley, Montreal PQ	438
6	John Zaluski, Nepean ON	401
7	Deanna Goh, Peterborough ON	398
8	Jeffrey Smith, Ottawa ON	362
9	Jonathan Steinberg, Toronto ON	322
10	Edward Zaluski, Ottawa ON	301
Ш	Bryan Maksymetz, Coquitlam BC	287
12	Sylvia Summers, Montreal PQ	287
13	Thomas Gandolfo, Edmonton AB	280
14	lan Boyd, Calgary AB	278
15	Gavin Wolpert, Thornhill ON	262
16	Doug Fraser, Victoria BC	259
17	Jean Castonguay, LeryP Q	257
18	Tom Buttle, Toronto ON	249
19	Dan Jacob, Burnaby BC	247
20	Nicolas L'Ecuyer, Montreal PQ	245
21	Heather Peckett, Nepean ON	241
22	Norm Gordon, Dol-des-Ormea PQ	238
23	Francesca Walton, Calgary AB	236
24	Paul Graham, Calgary AB	235
25	George Mittelman, Toronto ON	233

## FLASH! MORE GOLD FOR CANADA

Congratulations to Nicholas and Judith Gartaganis, Gordon Campbell and Keith Balcombe for, once again, bringing recognition to Canadian Bridge. The team won the Gold Medal in the Commonwealth Championship Games in Manchester this July.

Fully I/3 of the boards in the Canada-Wales semi-final match were detailed in the Saturday Bulletin. For info, links, and articles, point your browsers to www.cbf.ca/Archives/020702.





LE MOT DU PRESIDENT par Jim Priebe

Chers bridgeurs du Canada,

Ma femme et moi arrivons tout juste

d'Edmonton où s'est déroulé Bridge Week. Le maire d'Edmonton. Bill Smith. a accueilli les joueurs dans «la plus remarquable ville du plus remarquable pays de la planète». Il aurait aussi bien pu ajouter «au plus remarquable tournoi de bridge». C'était certainement une semaine fantastique. Kismet Fung et ses bénévoles, Bob Christie et son bulletin ont établi des standards que les autres organisations devront rencontrer dans les années à venir. Un gros merci au Centre de bridge d'Edmonton et à son gérant, Matthew Greenways, pour avoir mis leurs merveilleuses installations à la disposition du comité organisateur et des participants de Bridge Week.

Le bridge fut très excitant! Les gagnants du CNTC l'ont remporté par une marge de 14 imps, ceux du CWTC par une marge de 4 imps et la marge des gagnants du COPC était de 7 matchpoints. Hein! Seul les gagnants du CNTC-B ont remporté une victoire écrasante. Dans tous les cas, les performances ont été dignes de champions. Je souhaite qu'encore plus de joueurs de bridge canadiens participent à cette excitante compétition qu'est Bridge Week.

L'assemblée générale annuelle été intéressante, animée et a généré plusieurs bonnes suggestions sur la manière d'améliorer nos championnats. Un des objectifs majeurs de la FCB durant mon mandat est de développer les idées de nos membres pour faire de Bridge Week la compétition canadienne la plus populaire.

# Avis aux gérants de club

Tous les gérants de club devraient avoir reçu en juillet l'information concernant les tournois de la FCB pour l'an prochain. Ces renseignements comprennent les demandes de sanction pour le CNTC, le COPC, les séances maîtres/non-maîtres Erin Berry et Helen Shields ainsi que le STAC de la FCB. Tout club qui désire tenir une des ces séances doit soumettre une demande de sanction à la coordonnatrice de la FCB. Les demandes peuvent être envoyées par courriel à la condition qu'elles contiennent tous les renseignements pertinents.



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# NOUVELLES DU CONSEIL D'ADMINISTRATION

Le procès-verbal complet et les états financiers sont publié sur la page d'accueil de la FCB.

# Étude de faisabilité.

L'étude de faisabilité pour une fédération indépendante de la FCB a été présentée au c.a. Une copie de l'étude a été envoyées à tous les présidents d'unité canadienne, aux présidents des districts de l'ACBL qui contiennent des unités canadiennes, au président de l'ACBL, au CEO de l'ACBL ainsi qu'à tous les membres du Comité d'étude de la problématique canadienne. L'étude pose trois points importants sur lesquels la FCB désire poursuivre avec l'ACBL : les coûts en dollars US. la reconnaissance de la FCB par l'ACBL, le fait francophone. Les unités sont priées de communiquer leur appui ou leur désaccord concernant ces points. Si le soutien des unités est suffisant. la FCB poursuivra son travail d'amélioration avec le Comité d'étude de la problématique canadienne dans ces différents domaines. L'étude de faisabilité est disponible sur la page d'accueil de la FCB.

nous devrions avoir et le mode de distribution. Marc Fiset, directeur de la Zone II, est en charge de ce projet.

**Règlements** Les règlements internes de la FCB ont besoin d'être revus et corrigés. Claire Jones, directeur de la Zone V, a été nommé responsable de cette tâche. Les nouveaux règlements seront prêts début 2003 et seront approuvés à l'assemblée générale annuelle de 2003.

FCB STAC La FCB tiendra encore l'an prochain un tournoi sectionnel dans les clubs (STAC) à la grandeur du Canada du 17 au 23 février 2003. Le coût de la sanction est de 8 \$ par table. De concert avec l'ACBL, La FCB tente de faire de ce STAC un vrai tournoi pan-canadien et non une compétition séparée entre l'Est et l'Ouest du Canada.

**Code de conduite** La FCB réécrit actuellement les politiques et directives pour son programme Junior dans le but de spécifier les règlements qui s'appliquent aux joueurs et aux accompagnateurs impliqués dans le

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programme. Jennifer Ballantyne, directeure de la Zone VI, travaille sur ce dossier.

**Bridge Junior** Ed Antosz de Windsor, Ontario a été nommé Coordinateur du programme Junior. Bill Treble, directeur de la Zone IV, sera Agent de liaison avec le c.a.. Ce dernier a adopté une motion concernant les Juniors à l'effet que dans toutes les compétitions juniors où le Canada est représenté, chaque joueur de l'équipe doit jouer le nombre minimum de matchs nécessaires pour se qualifier pour une médaille. Le c.a. a aussi adopté une motion qui permet au gérant d'accompagner l'équipe junior, en plus du Capitaine, aux compétitions internationales.

# Championnats nationaux et compétitions internationales

James Priebe, directeur de la Zone III, rédige un rapport et un plan d'action pour les prochains championnats nationaux (après 2003) ainsi que pour la sélection des équipes au niveau international. La FCB désire connaître l'opinion des joueurs concernés à ce sujet et a soumis un sondage aux capitaines des équipes de Bridge Week 2002.

## **Règlements et contrat**

Mary Moulton, directrice de la Zone I, prépare un document qui établira les règlements de régie interne auxquels le c.a. de la FCB devra se conformer. Elle élaborera aussi un contrat entre la FCB et le coordonnateur de la FCB.



## **CANADIAN ROOKIE-MASTER GAME**

APRIL 25, 2002 - 26 clubs took part in our annual Helen Shields Rookie-Master Game. The Bridge Centre of Niagara had the highest turn out with 49 pairs. Kate Buckman Bridge Studio and Victoria Bridge Centre came second with 48 pairs. Dick Anderson, of Regina, did an excellent analysis for this game.

# NATIONAL WINNERS (635 PAIRS)

١.	Daniel Ruiu & George Kitchen	
	Ottawa Br. Centre	71.43%
2.	Patricia Thorn & Bill Dawson	
	Peterborough DBC	70.14%
3.	Tom Pendergast & Dixie Platt	
	North Bay DBC	68.25%
4.	Ellen & Don Shatilla	
	Saskatoon DBC	68.18%
5.	Dorothy Saunders & Pierrette	
	Charron Brockville DBC	68.00%
6.	Ron Vautour & Stephen Tynes	
	Truro DBC	67.50%
7.	Vern Lawton & Barry Nishnik	
	Saskatoon DBC	67.05%
8.	Linde Dittmer & Inez Vautour	
	Truro DBC	66.82%
9.	Karen Sobey & Judy Morrison	
	Newcastle DBC	66.37%
10	. Bernice Wright & Patty Metca	lfe
	Edmonton Br. Centre	65.60%

Complete results on the CBF Website - www.cbf.ca

# La coupe carrousel

's-Hertogenbosch, Hollande du 20 au 27 mai 2002 *par Marc Fiset* 

Si, comme notre Premier Ministre le dit souvent, le Canada est le meilleur pays au monde, les Pays-Bas n'ont pas leur pareil quand on parle de bridge. Les Néerlandais sont fous du bridge! Leur fédération compte le nombre impressionnant de 93000 membres sur une population totale de 16 millions.

Quant à notre fédération, elle n'en a que 16000 sur 30 millions d'habitants. Autrement dit, il y a 580 joueurs de bridge affiliés à toutes les 100000 personnes en Hollande et 50 au Canada. C'est 10 fois plus !

Il y a des raisons probablement culturelles qui expliquent cet écart. À mon avis, la principale est probablement l'importance égale que les Néerlandais accordent aux dimensions sociale et compétitive du jeu. Les membres de l'équipe junior canadienne invités à la coupe Carrousel ont pu apprécier cela.

# UN TRAITEMENT ROYAL

Pour la 9ème année consécutive, la Hollande tenait un tournoi junior de bridge. De 26 équipes inscrites en 2000, le tournoi passait cependant, cette année, à quatre seulement (États-Unis, Pays-Bas, Norvège et Canada) par manque de soutien du secteur privé. Cela n'a pas empêché les organisateurs principaux,



L'équipe canadienne junior - Première rangée : Daniel Lavee, Vincent Demuy, Daniel Korbel. Deuxième rangée : David Grainger, Marc Fiset (NPC), Martine Lacroix (NPC), Gavin Wolpert, Ian Boyd.

Kees Tammens et Jan Rijnaarts, de prouver leur savoir-faire et leur sens de l'hospitalité.

Tout le temps passé à 's-Hertogenbosch ne nous a pas coûté un sou. Nous étions logés chez des joueurs de bridge et nourris au restaurant local. Le tournoi a commencé le jeudi 23 mai par une réception et un « pro-am ». Quelle réception! Nous étions reçus - les joueurs, les entraîneurs, les parents, les commanditaires et autres personnalités du bridge de 's-Hertogenbosch — au restaurant Dirigent par Kees et Jan. Une fine cuisine nous attendait :cuisses de canard, côtelettes d'agneau, calmar, etc. Bière et vin à volonté (gratuitement) jusqu'à ce que nous rejoignions nos hôtes respectifs. On avait préparé les tables du pub pour un tournoi individuel de bridge. Personne n'était forcé d'y participer. Pour joindre une table, il suffisait de taper sur l'épaule d'un joueur. Ce fut une expérience très agréable permettant à certains de renouer avec des amis et aux autres de fraterniser.

Le tournoi commençait le jour suivant et se jouait dans une discothèque nommée le Carrousel. Le propriétaire offrait généreusement espace pour jouer, pâtisserie au petit déjeuner, boissons nonalcoolisées et café. Plus les trophées aux gagnants.

# UNE CONTRE-PERFORMANCE

La forme du tournoi était nouvelle pour nous. Les quatre équipes devaient jouer, dans un tournoi à la ronde, trois matches de 20 planchettes contre chaque adversaire (180 étuis en 3 jours). Une autre particularité était que les trois paires jouaient en même temps, les résultats "de la table centrale" étant comparés à ceux des deux autres. Toutes les paires de l'équipe devaient jouer un match à la table centrale contre un autre pays. Pour ajouter du piquant, on donnait 5 Euro (1,40 \$) pour chaque point de victoire gagné.

Nous avons commencé contre les États-Unis. Ce fut particulièrement éprouvant. pour ne pas dire plus! Nous avons perdu les 3 parties, 2 d'entre elles par une large marge : 4-25, 5-25 et 12-18. Le deuxième jour nous affrontions les Pays-Bas. Nous avons bien commencé. Korbel-Grainger ont été brillants et nous avons gagné le premier match 21-9. Après cela, ça s'est gâté. Nous avons été sévèrement corrigés 7-23 et 3-25. Au troisième et dernier jour, nous rencontrions les Norvégiens. Nous étions hors circuit à moins d'un miracle. Nous les avons surclassés au premier match avec Boyd-Lavee comme paire centrale, mais, ne pouvant tenir le rythme, nous avons terminé en perdant

les deux derniers matches 10-20 et 12-18. (Voir www.bridgeplaza.com sous "Den Bosch Junior Test" pour des résultats complets)

Oui, il y a eu des périodes sombres, mais aussi quelques rayons de soleil. Voyez ce petit diamant ciselé par Vincent Demuy contre la Norvège.

Donneur : Est Vul. : Personne

	Sud		
Ouest ♣ D8 ♥ RD104 ♣ DV1098 ♣ D4	Nord ♣ A10954 ♥ 872 ♦ R6 ♣ AV7 Sud	♥ + :	RV76 A965

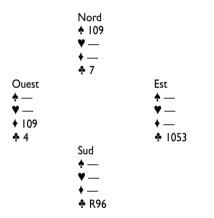
OUEST	<b>NORD</b> Wolpert	EST	<b>SOUTH</b> Demuy
_	_	passe	passe
1+	I.♠	X	XX(I)
2♥	X(2)	passe	3♣`́
passe	passe	passe	

8 HCP ou plus et 2 cartes de pique.
 Contre d'appel.

Entame: Dame de carreau

Des enchères audacieuses ont placé Wolpert-Demuy dans un contrat qui superficiellement semble facile. D'autant qu'Est-Ouest peuvent réussir 2 cœurs sans effort. Vincent couvre la Dame de carreau du Roi et joue petit pique des deux mains. La défense encaisse deux honneurs à cœur et cède la main avec son dernier carreau. Le déclarant gagne dans sa main, coupe un carreau du Valet et revient dans sa main en coupant le dernier cœur du mort. Maintenant As de pique et pique coupé du 8 de trèfle! Ouest surcoupe de la Dame et persiste à carreau coupé par Vincent avec l'As d'atout.

Avec 3 cartes à jouer et la main au mort, le déclarant appelle le 7 de trèfle.



Est doit concéder. Le coup imaginatif – couper avec le 8 pour préserver le 6 - a porté fruit.

Le Canada a été représenté par six joueurs de bridge très brillants et capables. Il n'y a aucun doute dans mon esprit que certains d'entre eux feront leur marque sur les scènes nationale ou internationale. Indépendamment des raisons de notre piètre performance, le tournoi s'est tenu davantage dans une atmosphère de détente que de bataille acharnée. Était-ce là l'intention des organisateurs, amoindrir la détermination des adversaires? J'estime que c'est la sorte d'expérience que nous devons donner à nos juniors. Si tous les participants canadiens veulent en tirer une leçon, c'est que la préparation et la discipline sont nécessaires à la réussite; le talent seul ne suffit pas.





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Chanceux?

#### par Martine Lacroix

Pour jouer une partie de 75% aux matchpoints, nul doute qu'en plus de bien jouer, il faut de la chance... et il en faut encore plus pour que ça se produise pendant le 16<sup>e</sup> Worldwide Bridge Contest. C'est ce qui nous est arrivés à mon partenaire, Marc Fiset, et moi le samedi 8 juin 2002, ce qui nous a valu la quatrième place au classement mondial.

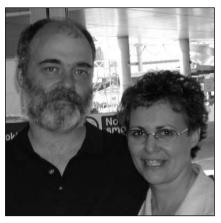
Voici une main où des enchères agressives nous ont rapporté un top (96%) au niveau mondial alors que 123 paires sur 5219 ont rejoint le petit chelem à coeur.

Donneur : Ouest Vuln. : Personne

	Nord ♠ V7643 ♥ R5 ♦ R1053 ♣ 85		
Ouest		Est	
★ — ♥ D94		♠ A	102 10876
♦ D94 ♦ A876		▼ A ♦ D	
♣ AD10432		• R	
17.510.02	Sud ♠ RD985 ♥ V32 ♦ V942 ♣ 7		
Ouest	Nord	Est	Sud
Fiset		Lacroix	
♣ contre <sup>*</sup>	passe 3♠	♥ 4♠	♠
contre 6♥	passe	passe	passe passe
	Pusse	Pusse	passe

\* contre de soutien

Entame : Roi de pique.



L'entame du Roi de pique est coupée au mort. Petit trèfle au Roi, puis on coupe un second pique. Dame de coeur que Nord laisse filer. L'As de carreau est suivi d'un carreau coupé pour rentrer en main. L'As de coeur permet de constater le partage favorable des atouts. La défense ne peut faire mieux qu'une levée à coeur. Même si Nord couvre la Dame de coeur avec le Roi, on gagne la levée avec l'As et on fait sauter le Valet de coeur en espérant que l'adversaire qui le détient possède le dernier coeur ou le singleton trèfle sinon il pourrait faire chuter le contrat en donnant une coupe à son partenaire. Mais comme les cartes sont placées, le contrat est imperdable.

La chance là-dedans? La position favorable des coeurs, entre autres, changez le 9 de coeur de la main d'Ouest et placez-le dans la main de Sud. Essayez, vous verrez. Le contrat est infaisable maintenant, car lorsque Nord couvre la Dame de coeur, il y a maintenant deux coeurs à perdre.

D'autres fois, c'est l'adversaire qui s'est révélé généreux.

Ouest donne et ouvre d'un barrage à 2♠. Personne n'est vulnérable, qu'annoncez-vous en Nord avec ♠A3 ♥AV843 ♦V982 ♣D7 ? Eh bien, croyez-moi, il y en a qui ne peuvent pas s'empêcher d'enchérir lorsqu'ils détiennent les points d'ouverture et une majeure cinquième! Environ 10% des joueurs en Nord se sont fait prendre. Pour embarquer dans les enchères par dessus un barrage, ça prend des levées de jeu, pas seulement des points. Ici la main de Nord contient deux levées en As et peut-être une levée de longueur à coeur, un total de trois. Nettement insuffisant pour s'engager dans un contrat qui en demande neuf... La main complète :

Donneur : Ouest Vuln. : Personne

Ouest ↑ RDV864 ♥ R62 ↑ 753 ↑ 3	Nord ★ A3 ♥ AV843 ♦ V982 ★ D7 Sud ★ 109762 ♥ 9 ♦ 106 ★ 106542	♦ Al	1075
<b>Ouest</b> Fiset	Nord	<b>Est</b> Lacroix	Sud
2♠	3♥	contre	passe
passe	passe		

Nord était bien malheureux quand le mort s'est étalé. La chute a été dure, mais ça aurait pu être pire car une erreur de notre part lui a permis de faire quatre levées au lieu des trois qu'il possédait à l'origine. Comme 3♥ ne s'est pas avéré un contrat populaire, la chute de 5 levées nous a rapporté 87% des matchpoints, alors que la chute de 6 en rapportait 95%.

# PROGRAMME MENTOR JUNIOR

La FCB fait un pas en avant pour le développement du bridge junior. Le programme mentor, qui sera lancé à l'automne 2002, est essentiellement basé sur le jeu et la discussion afin de permettre aux jeunes joueurs d'améliorer leurs connaissances.

Le principe du programme repose sur le parrainage. Les juniors seront jumelés avec des joueurs d'expérience. Les paires devront jouer ensemble sur une base régulière, soit par Internet, soit à leur club local, et ce, dans le but d'aider les juniors à développer les différentes techniques du bridge comme les enchères, le jeu en défense, le jeu du déclarant, les signaux, etc.

Une liste de contrôle des techniques de bridge sera mise à la disposition des mentors et des juniors pour les aider à identifier les points forts et les points faibles.

Nous avons besoin de mentors de toute expertise puisque le niveau des juniors varie de débutant à expert. Participez au programme et donnez un peu de votre temps en jouant avec un junior. Contactez le responsable du programme, Ed Antosz par courriel et informez-le de votre disponibilité et de votre expertise. Ed s'occupe du jumelage. Si vous



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