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**The Winners of
the New Zealand
Youth Teams
2017:**

**Ella Pattison,
Bradley Johnston,
Jamie Thompson,
Cesca McGrath**



**Our Newest Gold Grandmaster
Noel Woodhall from Hawkes Bay**

Website Workshop

Wednesday 7 pm

This will be held at the end of the dining room where the AGM was held. Time to show you features on Tournaments, Club admin and Masterpoints. Bring a beer (or two) and your questions for Alister Stuck and Karen Martelletti.

Today's Schedule

NZ Open Pairs (SF)	12.00	1600
NZ Restricted Pairs	1200	1600
Congress Pairs	1000	1415
Novice Pairs		1415
National Rubber Bridge (SF)		1930



Coup of the Day 2 Coup En Passant

A fairly common play technique is the Coup en Passant. The fancy French name hides a pretty simple technique. Declarer attempts to make her small trumps by leading a side suit through an opponent who has a bigger trump than the one with which declarer hopes to ruff. Take a look at this example:

Dealer South. E/W Vul.

<p>♠ AKQ4 ♥ J2 ♦ J963 ♣ Q84</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: #6aa84f; color: white; padding: 5px; width: 60px; margin: 0 auto;"> N W E S </div>	<p>♠ 862 ♥ 95 ♦ AQ85 ♣ 9753</p>	<p>♠ J975 ♥ 10874 ♦ 1042 ♣ J10</p>
		<p>♠ 103 ♥ AKQ63 ♦ K7 ♣ AK62</p>	

West	North	East	South
–	–	–	1♥
Dble	1NT	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

South plays in Four Hearts and West leads out the three top spades. Declarer ruffs and cashes the ace, king and queen of trumps. An even break would have provided ten tricks but the four-two break creates a small problem. No matter, declarer continues by cashing two top clubs then the three diamond winners. She follows up by leading dummy's fourth diamond. Though East has the high trump, there is nothing she can do to prevent declarer from making her small trump en passant. If East ruffs high, declarer discards and makes his small heart later, while if East discards declarer ruffs the diamond.

Do you see the importance of cashing the top clubs before playing out the diamonds? If declarer fails to do this, East can throw a club on the fourth diamond and is now in a position to ruff the second club winner, leaving declarer a trick short.

Was there anything the defence could have done to prevent declarer from making the contract?

Yes, but it was tough to see. West has to cash the two spade winners immediately or declarer pitches a loser on the third diamond then plays three rounds of clubs to establish a long card in the suit for her tenth trick. However, the winning defence is to switch at trick three.

Declarer cannot afford to overtake the king of diamonds so has only one dummy entry and needs two to take two ruffs. In the fullness of time, she will lose both a club and a heart.

Brain teaser 2

There is a country whose name contains the same letter four times and, by coincidence, its capital also includes that same letter four times. What is the country, and what is its capital?

Ever-Presents

Ten players have been to every one of the NZ National Congresses from 1986 to the present day. They are:

Peter Benham
Patrick Carter
Gary Duncan
Lynne Geursen
Gary Hanna
Heini Lux
Bruce Marr
Lorraine Stachurski
Jeff Thompson
Ngaamo Thomson.

Congratulations, and hope to see you all back again in 2018.

Help Please!

This is a one-man bulletin and, with the best will in the world, one person cannot be everywhere at once.

I want to make these bulletins as good as they possibly can be and so I need your help. Please, if you have a newsworthy hand, come and tell me about it. I am in a room off to one side of the main congress office if you don't see me anywhere else. Or you can email me at: bsenior@hotmail.com

Newsworthy can mean something good, an expert falling flat on his face, or perhaps your idiot partner's attempt to go for a record penalty – obviously, you would never dream of doing so yourself. Or perhaps there will be a funny story from your table or details of a particularly ethical action by an opponent?

I hope to make these bulletins inclusive. In other words, I want to include stories from junior and intermediate players as well as the experts. I can only do so if juniors and intermediates come and talk to me, so please do.

There will be a bottle of wine from our sponsors, Babich New Zealand Wine for the best story each day



2017 New Zealand Youth Teams Qualifying Results

Results after 6 of 6 matches			Match Imps (click to show VPs)						Totals		
Place	Cat	Team	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	Imps	VPs	W-D-L
1	A	KALMA (9)	1	17	22	24	25	11	100	91.99	6-0-0
2	A	JOHNSTON (7)	-21	33	31	64	-25	59	141	83.18	4-0-2
3	A	PAN (5)	-1	-33	40	8	49	36	99	82.83	4-0-2
4	A	COUTTS (3)	21	39	41	-24	37	-36	78	78.97	4-0-2
5	A	YAO (4)	11	-39	-40	56	32	-11	9	59.32	3-0-3
6	A	FRASER-HOSKINS (1)	27	11	-41	-64	-10	71	-6	58.33	3-0-3
7	A	HU (6)	-27	65	-31	17	-49	25	0	56.85	3-0-3
8	A	FRANKE-BOWELL (2)	-11	-17	26	-17	10	-59	-68	45.88	2-0-4
9	A	HEWITT (8)	43	-11	-22	-8	-32	-25	-55	39.71	1-0-5
10	A	LOCKHART (10)	-43	-65	-26	-56	-37	-71	-298	2.94	0-0-6

2017 Youth Teams Handicap Results

Place	Team	Match 1		Match 2		Match 3		Match 4		Match 5		Match 6		Total	
		Hdcp	VPs	Hdcp	VPs	Hdcp	VPs	Hdcp	VPs	Hdcp	VPs	Hdcp	VPs		
1	KALMA	9	1	10.86	-21	8.33	-9	14.68	11	19.11	8	18.83	-10	10.44	82.25
2	JOHNSTON	7	3	4.00	3	19.24	-12	16.23	-9	20.00	-8	1.17	-29	18.37	79.01
3	PAN	5	-1	9.14	7	2.31	-11	18.21	-10	9.14	-5	20.00	10	20.00	78.80
4	HU	6	3	2.69	-25	19.74	12	3.77	-17	10.00	5	16.90	-5	10.46	63.56
5	YAO	4	-11	10.00	21	4.00	11	1.79	-19	19.37	1	18.83	10	9.56	63.55
6	FRANKE-BOWELL	2	11	10.00	21	11.67	-8	16.00	17	10.00	20	11.27	29	1.63	60.57
7	COUTTS	3	-3	16.00	-21	16.00	-12	18.21	-11	0.89	-40	8.73	-10	0.00	59.83
8	FRASER-HOSKINS	1	-3	17.31	8	11.27	12	1.79	9	0.00	-20	1.63	-28	20.00	52.00
9	HEWITT	8	-20	17.11	8	8.73	9	5.32	10	10.86	-1	1.17	5	3.54	46.73
10	LOCKHART	10	20	2.89	25	0.26	8	4.00	19	0.63	40	11.27	28	0.00	19.05

Youth Teams - Final (September 2017)

Results after 2 of 2 matches			Match Imps (click to show VPs)				Totals		
Place	Team	C/Fwd	M1	M2	Imps	VPs	W-D-L		
1	JOHNSTON (7)	4000	18	10	4028	4,028.00	2-0-0		
2	KALMA (9)	4004	-18	-10	3976	3,976.00	0-0-2		
3	PAN (5)	3002	-10	10	3002	3,002.00	1-0-1		
4	COUTTS (3)	3000	10	-10	3000	3,000.00	1-0-1		
5	YAO (4)	2000	18	1	2019	2,019.00	1-1-0		
6	FRASER-HOSKINS (1)	2000	-18	-1	1981	1,981.00	0-1-1		
7	HU (6)	1005	49	25	1079	1,079.00	2-0-0		
8	FRANKE-BOWELL (2)	1000	-49	-25	926	926.00	0-0-2		
9	HEWITT (8)	6	28	35	69	69.00	2-0-0		
10	LOCKHART (10)	0	-28	-35	-63	-63.00	0-0-2		


Youth Teams - Final

Number	Team	Team Members
1	FRASER-HOSKINS	JEREMY FRASER-HOSKIN - ZACHARY YAN - VINCENT HE - BRIAN GU
2	FRANKE-BOWELL	JOHANN FRANKE-BOWELL - GABRIEL PAN - JOHN VOSS - WILLIAM HARLOW
3	COUTTS	GLENN COUTTS - VICKI BOUTON - SAM BAILEY - SAMUEL COUTTS
4	YAO	KEVIN GUAN - ESYLN BECK - AARON CHEN - NICHOLAS YAO
5	PAN	TIM PAN - EDDY TAN - YIWEI QI - SHERYL LUO
6	HU	KEVIN HU - GEORGIA WANG - TONY REN - FEITONG CHEN
7	JOHNSTON	ELLA PATTISON - BRADLEY JOHNSTON - JAMIE THOMPSON - CESCA MCGRATH
8	HEWITT	MATT BROWN - DANIEL SPENCER - MACKENZIE RHODES - SHAUN HEWITT
9	KALMA	ADRIAN WISSE - DAVID YOUNG - NICK JACOB - JACOB KALMA
10	LOCKHART	HENRY LOCKHART - TONY ZHU - AMY WANG - DANIEL AHN

New Zealand Open Pairs – Qualifying Session One

As New Zealand has a pair of reigning World Open Pairs champions in Michael Cornell and Ashley Bach, who better to watch for the first session of the New Zealand Open Pairs qualifying stage?

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

<p>♠ K 10 9 7 5 ♥ 10 7 3 ♦ K 7 2 ♣ K 9</p>		<p>♠ Q J 8 3 ♥ Q ♦ A J 9 4 ♣ 10 6 5 3</p>	<p>♠ A 6 2 ♥ A 9 4 2 ♦ 6 3 ♣ A J 8 7</p>
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West	North	East	South
<i>Brash</i>	<i>Cornell</i>	<i>Turner</i>	<i>Bach</i>
–	–	–	1♣
1♠	Dble	2♠	3♥
Pass	4♥	4♠	Dble
All Pass			


Ash's 1♣ opening could have been based on a doubleton. Ian Brash overcalled, Michael made a negative double and Chris Turner made a simple spade raise when many would have made some type of three-level raise with four trumps and a singleton. The spade raise put Ash in a common dilemma – is it right to bid freely a level higher than you would have done without the bid on your right or should you pass because you have only a weak no trump, reserving a 3♥ bid for a more shapely hand with clubs and hearts? I think the popular expert approach is to refuse to be shut out in these situations and almost all would do as did ash, bidding 3♥ and worrying about it later if it didn't work out. Michael didn't have a great hand, but the fifth heart and spade shortage had to be good news so he went on to the heart game. Now Chris gave weight to his extra playing strength and took the save in 4♠, doubled by Ash to end the auction.

Michael led the five of hearts, third and fifth, so Ash won the ace and switched to ace and another club. Ian won the ♣K and ruffed a heart then played the queen of spades and, when that held the trick, continued with the ♠J. Ash won the ace and returned his last spade, Ian winning in hand. Clearly, that was an error on declarer's part, as it left him with a heart loser – he needed to ruff a club to get to hand to ruff the last heart before playing a second round of spades. Anyway, he was not the only one to make an error as he next led a low diamond and Michael put in the queen! This is a standard deceptive play to try to convince declarer, holding three small cards, to play North for

king-queen rather than honour-ten. However, Ash had already turned up with three aces so couldn't also hold the ♦K or would have had a 1NT opening.

Declarer won the queen with dummy's ace, came back to the king of diamonds and led a third round. A finesse of the nine would have brought home the contract now but, after some thought, declarer called for the jack and was down one for –200 and an excellent start for Ash and Michael. Declarer should have got it right, as no defender would ever put up the queen from queen-to-three on the first round of diamonds in case declarer had a guess with king-ten-other in hand, while queen-ten-to-four was plausible.

Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.

<p>♠ – ♥ Q J 10 6 ♦ A J 7 2 ♣ K Q 10 4 3</p>		<p>♠ A 10 9 7 3 ♥ K 8 3 2 ♦ 9 ♣ 7 5 2</p>	<p>♠ K 5 4 2 ♥ 4 ♦ K 10 8 5 3 ♣ A J 8</p>
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West	North	East	South
<i>Brash</i>	<i>Cornell</i>	<i>Turner</i>	<i>Bach</i>
1♣	1♦	Dble	2♣
3♣	3♦	Pass	3♠
All Pass			

It was Ian's turn to open a potentially short club and Michael overcalled 1♦, either spades and diamonds, or hearts. Double showed some values and 2♣ showed genuine support for both hearts and at least one of spades and diamonds. Ian competed with 3♣ and Michael, knowing of a fit, could in turn compete with 3♦, Ash converting to 3♠, where he played unmolested when Chris made a slightly surprising pass – many would have made a penalty double.

Ian led the king of clubs, which Ash ducked. Now Ian switched to a heart, choosing the ten for reasons which only he can know, and that went to the king and ace. Ash led a low spade, getting the bad news when Ian pitched a club. The king of spades was allowed to hold the trick so Ash led a diamond to the queen and ace and now Ian forced dummy by playing the queen of hearts. Ash duly took the ruff and led a spade to the seven and eight, took the club finesse and continued with the ♦K, imagining that Ian would hold six clubs for the 3♣ rebid and that he might therefore be able to pin a doubleton jack of diamonds. Not today. Chris ruffed the diamond and led

the eight of hearts to the nine and jack. Ian cashed the \heartsuit J, allowing Chris to get rid of his last club, and now the six of hearts ran round to declarer's seven. Ash played the queen of spades and had one spade winner so was down two for -100.

Board 25. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

\heartsuit A 8 4 2 \heartsuit K 7 6 5 \heartsuit 5 \heartsuit Q J 7 3		\heartsuit 9 3 \heartsuit A 8 4 \heartsuit A Q J 8 6 3 \heartsuit A K	\heartsuit K Q J 10 7 5 \heartsuit 9 \heartsuit 7 2 \heartsuit 9 8 5 4
West	North	East	South
<i>D. Skipper</i>	<i>Cornell</i>	<i>J. Skipper</i>	<i>Bach</i>
-	2 \heartsuit	Dble	2 \heartsuit
Dble	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Michael opened a multi, either a bad weak two in a major or a strong balanced hand. John Skipper's double could have been various hands and Ash's 2 \heartsuit was pass or correct, though he had a pretty good idea that there would be no correction coming this time. David Skipper doubled to show some values and John jumped to 3NT.

Ash led the king of spades. John ducked, and ducked again when Ash continued with the queen. A third spade was won in dummy and John cashed the ace and king of clubs then played ace and another heart to the king.


Now came the queen and jack of clubs and Michael was under considerable pressure. He had to keep three diamonds or John would have the possibility of leading low to the queen then dropping the king under the ace and making the remainder, so Michael was forced to come down to only one heart. John himself also came down to three diamonds and one heart and now as at the crossroads.

If Michael held the king of diamonds, John could take the diamond finesse then exit with a heart to force Michael to lead into the diamond tenace at trick 12 for an overtrick. However, if Ash held the king of diamonds this would lead to defeat. In that case, exiting with dummy's spade would endplay Ash, who had come down two two spades and two diamonds, and a lead round to the \heartsuit AQ at trick 12 would yield the ninth trick.

What should declarer do?

North was known to have started with four diamonds to South's two, and he would have opened the trash weak two bid with either \heartsuit QJ10xx \heartsuit Kxxx or \heartsuit QJ10xx \heartsuit xxxx. John got it wrong, exiting with a spade, so Ash took two of those and there was no overtrick; +600.


Board 26. Dealer East. All Vul.

\heartsuit J 10 3 \heartsuit 10 5 3 \heartsuit A K Q J 5 \heartsuit 6 5		\heartsuit 9 6 5 4 \heartsuit A K 7 \heartsuit 7 3 \heartsuit Q 10 9 3	\heartsuit Q 7 2 \heartsuit J 9 8 4 \heartsuit 9 8 6 \heartsuit K 7 4
West	North	East	South
<i>D. Skipper</i>	<i>Cornell</i>	<i>J. Skipper</i>	<i>Bach</i>
-	-	Pass	1 \clubsuit
1 \heartsuit	1 \heartsuit	2 \heartsuit	Dble
Pass	2 \heartsuit	Pass	Pass
3 \heartsuit	All Pass		

Ash again opened the two-plus card 1 \clubsuit and David overcalled. Michael's 1 \heartsuit was a transfer to spades Ash's double showed three-card spade support. When Michael bid a slightly reluctant 2 \heartsuit , David competed with 3 \heartsuit and was left to play there.

Michael led the ace of hearts then switched to a spade so Ash won the king and switched back to queen of hearts, cashed the \heartsuit A, then back again to hearts, Michael winning the king and exiting with a spade to dummy's queen. Declarer played diamonds from the top but, when the ten did not fall in two rounds, had no entry to the thirteenth heart so had to lose two clubs at the end and was down three for -300.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.


\heartsuit K Q 9 5 3 \heartsuit 10 8 3 \heartsuit 7 \heartsuit 10 8 4 2		\heartsuit J 10 \heartsuit K Q J 2 \heartsuit 5 2 \heartsuit K Q 9 7 6	\heartsuit 7 4 \heartsuit 7 4 \heartsuit A Q 10 9 8 6 4 3 \heartsuit 3
West	North	East	South
<i>Jurgeleit</i>	<i>Cornell</i>	<i>Luoni</i>	<i>Bach</i>
-	1 \clubsuit	3 \heartsuit	Dble
Pass	3 \heartsuit	Pass	4 \heartsuit
All Pass			

If you play Short Club you do open 1 \clubsuit an awful lot of the time, though this time Michael had genuine clubs. John

Luoni made a slightly cautious 3♦ pre-empt – I am sure that some will have bid one more – and Ash made a negative double then raised Michael's response to game.

Ace and another diamond would have collected a ruff for Murray Jurgeleit but John was more interested in getting his own ruff and led the singleton club. Michael won the ace and drew trumps in three rounds then cashed all the clubs, throwing spades from dummy. Finally, he exited with ace and another spade and the diamond return ensured that he would have no problem in that suit – not that there ever could be a problem as the cards lay. That was a solid +450 to Ash/Michael.


Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

<p>♠ A</p> <p>♥ K Q 9 7 6</p> <p>♦ 10 4</p> <p>♣ A Q 8 7 4</p>		<p>♠ 9 8 6 5 4</p> <p>♥ A</p> <p>♦ Q J 8 6</p> <p>♣ 6 5 2</p>	<p>♠ Q 10 7 3</p> <p>♥ 5 4 2</p> <p>♦ K 9 5</p> <p>♣ K J 3</p>
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West	North	East	South
<i>Jurgeleit</i>	<i>Cornell</i>	<i>Luoni</i>	<i>Bach</i>
–	–	Pass	Pass
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♥	All Pass

Murray and John had a free auction to reasonable heart game. Michael led the queen of diamonds to the king and ace and Ash returned a diamond to the jack. Now Michael switched to the nine of spades. Murray won the ace, crossed to dummy's jack of clubs and led a heart to the king and ace. He ruffed the spade return and laid down the ♥ Q and Ash had two more trump tricks to come for down two and –100 – another solid result for N/S.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

<p>♠ K J 2</p> <p>♥ Q J 6 5</p> <p>♦ 8 7 5</p> <p>♣ K 7 3</p>		<p>♠ 9 7 6 4</p> <p>♥ 3</p> <p>♦ A K Q 10 6 2</p> <p>♣ J 2</p>	<p>♠ A 8 5</p> <p>♥ A 10 9 7</p> <p>♦ J 9 4</p> <p>♣ 9 5 4</p>
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♠ Q 10 3	♥ K 8 4 2	♦ 3	♣ A Q 10 8 6
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West	North	East	South
<i>Crowe-Mai</i>	<i>Cornell</i>	<i>Baker</i>	<i>Bach</i>
–	–	–	1♣
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♦	All Pass	

It was Ash and Michael's turn to have a free run to the contract of their choice. One Club could have been short, 1♥ showed spades and 1♠ showed three-card support. Now 2♣ requested 2♦ and Ash did as asked. Three Diamonds was natural and invitational, normally a six-card suit, but Ash was not interested with his misfitting minimum so passed.

Kieran Crowe-Mai led a trump. Ash won the ace and cashed two more top trumps then ran the jack of clubs with hopes of overtricks. Alas, those hopes were dashed when the club lost to the king and Kieran returned the queen of hearts to Colin Baker's ace. A low spade through to the jack, spade back to the ace and a third spade meant down one for –50.

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

<p>♠ Q J 5 4</p> <p>♥ 7</p> <p>♦ A K J 10 5 2</p> <p>♣ J 7</p>		<p>♠ A 10</p> <p>♥ K 10 5 3</p> <p>♦ Q 9 8 6</p> <p>♣ K Q 6</p>	<p>♠ K 7 6</p> <p>♥ A Q J 8 4</p> <p>♦ 4 3</p> <p>♣ A 9 3</p>
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♠ 9 8 3 2	♥ 9 6 2	♦ 7	♣ 10 8 5 4 2
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West	North	East	South
<i>Crowe-Mai</i>	<i>Cornell</i>	<i>Baker</i>	<i>Bach</i>
1♦	1NT	Dble	Rdbl
2♦	Pass	3NT	All Pass

Kieran opened 1♦ and, when Michael overcalled with a slightly pushy 1NT, Colin doubled. Redouble asked partner to bid 2♣, though Ash did not have to have that suit, and when Kieran rebid his diamonds Colin just jumped to 3NT.


Ash led a club to the queen and Colin ducked that and Michael's continuation of the ♣ K. Michael thought for a bit then tried a low heart switch but Colin put in the queen and took the diamond finesse, losing to the queen. Now Michael, having seen a discouraging ♥ 9 from partner on his heart switch, returned his remaining club. Colin won the ace and played on spades to set up his ninth trick; +600 to E/W.

We leave Ash and Michael there, looking in reasonable shape after their first eight boards.

New Zealand Restricted Open Pairs – Session Two

I asked my friendly neighbourhood tournament director for a recommendation who I might watch for a while in the Restricted Open Pairs and the unlucky pair proved to be Tony Jiang and Julia Zhu.

Board 23. Dealer South. All Vul.

<p>♠ – ♥ 7 6 5 ♦ Q J 10 6 5 3 ♣ J 8 4 2</p>		<p>♠ J 10 5 4 2 ♥ A Q J 10 9 ♦ K ♣ 9 7</p>	<p>♠ A K 8 7 3 ♥ 3 ♦ 9 8 2 ♣ 10 6 5 3</p>
<p>♠ Q 9 6 ♥ K 8 4 2 ♦ A 7 4 ♣ A K Q</p>			


West	North	East	South
<i>Worthington</i>	<i>Jiang</i>	<i>Russell</i>	<i>Zhu</i>
–	–	–	1♣
Pass	1♠	Pass	2NT
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

Julia opened 1♣, possibly as short as two cards, then rebid 2NT over the 1♠ response and Tony now simply jumped to 4♥ to offer a choice between his two five-card majors. Julia, of course, passed 4♥.

Vicki Russell led out three rounds of spades so Jane Worthington could ruff the third round and hold the contract to 10 tricks; +620.

Of course, there are also 10 tricks available in no trump, so anyone who guessed to play in 3NT would get lucky – without the ruff there are, of course, 11 tricks in hearts.

Board 24. Dealer West. None Vul.


<p>♠ Q 8 5 4 ♥ A Q 10 7 4 3 ♦ K ♣ A 9</p>		<p>♠ A 10 2 ♥ K ♦ A 7 3 2 ♣ K Q 7 5 4</p>	<p>♠ J 9 7 3 ♥ 9 6 2 ♦ J 9 ♣ J 8 6 2</p>
<p>♠ K 6 ♥ J 8 5 ♦ Q 10 8 6 5 4 ♣ 10 3</p>			

West	North	East	South
<i>Worthington</i>	<i>Jiang</i>	<i>Russell</i>	<i>Zhu</i>
1♥	Dble	Pass	2♦
2♥	3♦	All Pass	

Jane opened 1♥ with the west cards and competed to 2♥ but, though holding three-card heart support, Vicki had only three jacks and was not interested in competing further so Julia became declarer in 3♦.

Jane led the ace of hearts then switched to a low spade for the ten, jack and king. Julia led to the ace of diamonds and the appearance of the bare king meant that she had picked up the suit without loss. She led towards the club honours and Jane took her ace, Julia claiming the rest; 11 tricks for +150.

Board 25. Dealer North. E/W Vul.

<p>♠ K Q 10 ♥ A Q 6 3 2 ♦ J 5 4 ♣ J 5</p>		<p>♠ A 8 6 5 3 2 ♥ 7 ♦ K 3 ♣ K 9 6 2</p>	<p>♠ 7 4 ♥ K J 10 8 ♦ Q ♣ A 10 8 7 4 3</p>
<p>♠ J 9 ♥ 9 5 4 ♦ A 10 9 8 7 6 2 ♣ Q</p>			

West	North	East	South
<i>Yukich</i>	<i>Jiang</i>	<i>Gibbons</i>	<i>Zhu</i>
–	2♠	All Pass	

Tony's 2♠ opening looks like a maximum weak two bid but actually showed at least five spades and a four-card or longer minor.


Most people who play this kind of opening would treat a six-four hand as single-suited, but it is easy to see that, when the main suit is so empty, finding a club fit could work out very well.

This time, 2♠ shut out E/W, who could make 4♥ if they could find a way into the auction.

Sue Gibbons led the singleton queen of diamonds against 2♠, Tony winning in hand with the king and conceding a club to the ace. Sue led the ten of hearts now, Christine Yukich winning the ace and giving her partner a diamond ruff. Sue played the king of hearts next but Tony ruffed. He ruffed a club and now needed to ruff a heart back to hand to ruff his remaining small club. However, convinced that the hand with short diamonds would have the long spades, he now threw his losing club on the ace of diamonds.

Sue must have been impressed to find that everyone wanted to give her diamond ruffs with her two low trumps, and there were still two more trumps to be lost so the contract was one down for –50.

Board 26. Dealer East. All Vul.

♠ – ♥ Q J 10 6 ♦ A 10 9 8 ♣ Q J 10 5 2		♠ K Q 10 7 ♥ A 7 ♦ Q 5 4 3 2 ♣ K 8	♠ 8 5 4 3 2 ♥ K 8 4 ♦ 6 ♣ A 9 7 3
		♠ A J 9 6 ♥ 9 5 3 2 ♦ K J 7 ♣ 6 4	

West	North	East	South
<i>Yukich</i>	<i>Jiang</i>	<i>Gibbons</i>	<i>Zhu</i>
–	–	Pass	Pass
2♣	2♦	3♣	3♦
All Pass			

I think that if I were playing Precision I would prefer to open the West hand with 1♦ rather than 2♣ – if I opened the hand at all when vulnerable – as that looks to give the best chance of finding a fit when holding a genuine three-suiter, but Christine opened 2♣, showing 11-15 with either six clubs or five clubs plus a four-card major, and that gave Tony an awkward problem. Two Diamonds was hardly ideal on such a threadbare suit, but the alternative of double could work out very badly if partner responded in hearts. Not very happy about his options, Tony eventually overcalled 2♦ and Julia competed to 3♦ over Sue's 3♣.

No doubt when dummy came down Tony wished he had doubled and found the spade fit, but the five-zero split means only seven tricks are available in a spade contract on perfect defence – mind you, even 1♦ can be defeated double dummy. Meanwhile, the way the hands fit means that E/W can make 5♣ on their combined 17 HCP.

Brainteaser Solution

Madagascar and Antananarivo


Chris Ackerley suggests a third answer to yesterday's Brainteaser, which was to find pairs of countries with only one letter difference between the two names.

Fans of Donald Trump will have heard him talk about Zambia and Nambia.

And who would wish to argue with the Donald?

Against 3♦, Sue led ace and another club, not the start to a successful defence. Far from beating 1♦, E/W could no longer beat 3♦. Tony won the king of clubs and led a diamond to the jack and ace, won the heart return and cashed the king and queen of diamonds then played on spades. There was a heart to be lost plus the ten of diamonds, but that was all. Three Diamonds just made for +110.

Board 27. Dealer South. None Vul.


♠ K Q ♥ Q 9 6 ♦ A K J 10 7 5 2 ♣ 4		♠ A 10 7 6 5 4 ♥ 3 ♦ 9 3 ♣ A Q 5 2	♠ 9 2 ♥ A K J 10 5 4 ♦ Q 8 4 ♣ 10 8
		♠ J 8 3 ♥ 8 7 2 ♦ 6 ♣ K J 9 7 6 3	

West	North	East	South
<i>Yukich</i>	<i>Jiang</i>	<i>Gibbons</i>	<i>Zhu</i>
–	–	–	Pass
1♦	1♠	Dble	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

Christine's 1♦ was Precision so could have been two cards in their style. Sue doubled the 1♠ overcall and Julia passed the South hand. I think in an expert field that almost everyone would find a raise and that would permit North to go on to 4♠ over 4♥ on this deal, though of course it is the club fit which makes 4♠ unbeatable. Anyway, perhaps E/W would go on to 5♥ over 4♠, and it is unlikely that N/S would in turn take the push to 5♠.

There was nothing to the play of 4♥. Julia led a spade so Tony won the ace and cashed the ace of clubs; 11 tricks for +450. I wonder how many N/S pairs managed to play the hand in a spade contract? Even 5♠ doubled down one should score well, I think.

Board 1. Dealer North. None Vul.

♠ A K 6 5 2 ♥ Q 9 4 ♦ 9 6 3 2 ♣ 4		♠ 8 3 ♥ A K 8 6 2 ♦ 10 8 ♣ A 10 7 6	♠ J 9 ♥ J 10 7 ♦ A Q J 7 ♣ K J 8 5
		♠ Q 10 7 4 ♥ 5 3 ♦ K 5 4 ♣ Q 9 3 2	

West	North	East	South
Garrett	Jiang	Mayhew	Zhu
–	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	All Pass	

Well, I wouldn't rebid 1NT on a five-four hand with everything in the two long suits, but I understand the temptation when playing matchpoints, and Tony got a good start when Denise Mayhew led her fourth-best diamond. The ♦7 ran round to the ten and Tony played ace then ten of clubs. Denise covered with the jack so dummy's queen won and Tony came to hand with a top heart to lead a third club towards the nine. Yes, it's true that ducking a heart would have established four winners in the suit, but Tony judged that hearts were unlikely to split evenly when clubs were four-one. Denise won the king of clubs and returned the jack of spades, Dave Garrett having discarded two diamonds. The spade was covered by queen and king and Dave played the nine of hearts. Tony won the king and led a diamond up and had seven tricks for +90.

Board 2. Dealer East. N/S Vul.

♠ A 8 2		♠ 10 7 6 4 3
♥ 10 2		♥ A Q 8 6
♦ A Q 10 8 5		♦ 6
♣ A K 9		♣ 10 4 3
♠ K Q J 5		♠ 9
♥ K 9 4		♥ J 7 5 3
♦ K 9 4 2		♦ J 7 3
♣ 7 5		♣ Q J 8 6 2

West	North	East	South
Garrett	Jiang	Mayhew	Zhu
–	–	Pass	Pass
1NT	Dble	2♥	Pass
2♠	3♦	3♠	4♦
All Pass			

Dave opened a weak no trump and Tony doubled. Denise had good methods for this hand because she could bid 2♥ to show both majors and Dave, of course, gave preference to spades. When Tony introduced his diamonds, Denise was able to compete courtesy of her fifth spade, and Julia in turn competed to 4♦, ending the auction.

Denise led a spade to the jack and ace and Tony ruffed a spade. Now, come to hand with a club to ruff the last spade then run the jack of diamonds, making a safe 10 tricks, or go for gold by trying to bring in the trumps without loss, when there are 12 tricks – five in each minor, ♠A and the spade ruff already taken?

At IMPs it would be easy, take the safe line for 10 tricks, but at matchpoints the lure of those overtricks is a powerful one, and Tony was seduced by them. At trick

three he ran the jack of diamonds successfully. There was still time to change his mind but at trick four he took a second diamond finesse, then cashed the ace of diamonds and played on clubs. When Dave could ruff the third club the defence had three major-suit winners to cash and the contract was down one for –100.

Board 3. Dealer South. E/W Vul.

♠ 9 4		♠ A 10 6
♥ A K J 6 5		♥ Q 8 7 2
♦ 9 6 4		♦ J 7 5 3
♣ K J 4		♣ 10 6
		♠ K J 8 7 5 2
		♥ 10 9
		♦ A Q 2
		♣ 9 3
		♠ Q 3
		♥ 4 3
		♦ K 10 8
		♣ A Q 8 7 5 2

West	North	East	South
Garrett	Jiang	Mayhew	Zhu
–	–	–	1♣
1♥	1NT	2♠	3♣
Dble	Pass	3♠	All Pass

Julia opened 1♣, possibly only two cards, and Tony bid 1NT over Dave's overcall. Now Denise brought her suit into the auction and Julia stretched to compete with 3♣ on her minimum opening. Dave doubled, hoping it would be taken as being for penalties, but Denise removed to 3♠ and that was that.

Julia led a heart, Denise winning dummy's ace and leading a spade to the jack and queen. Now Julia expected her partner to have something in diamonds and could see that one of declarer's diamond losers might be going away on a club if the defence was not careful. She therefore played the eight of diamonds and this went to the jack and queen. Not wishing to remove her sure dummy entry and also perhaps fearful of conceding a heart ruff, Denise played a low spade from her hand, Tony winning the ten.

Now Tony really should have returned a diamond, as declarer surely had six spades to bid them twice, and this would have defeated the contract, but he instead returned a heart in hope of giving his partner a ruff. Denise won in hand with the ♥10 and played a club up. Julia won the ace and played a diamond but it was too late. Denise won the ace of diamonds, led a club to the king and pitched her losing diamond on the king of hearts – 3♠ just made for +140.

A mixed run of boards for Tony and Julia – I hope I didn't put them under too much pressure by being there.

New Zealand Restricted Open Pairs after Two Sessions

	Session 1	Session 2	Total	
1	BILL HUMPHREY - PAUL CARSON-WENMOTH	60.99	65.68	126.67
2	CHRIS MARSHALL - JAMES THOMPSON	57.72	61.67	119.38
3	MICHAEL STUCKEY - MARTIN REISS	53.89	63.46	117.35
4	JOHN CRAIG - KC LEE	57.90	58.27	116.17
5	MAX ROBB - PAUL TOMLINSON	58.64	56.73	115.37
6	JULIA ZHU - TONY JIANG	59.26	54.81	114.07
7	BRIDGET HANNAWAY-WILLCOX - TERESKA KNAP	61.11	52.90	114.01
8	DIANE EMMS - JANE STEARNS	52.35	59.20	111.54
9	SARAH GARLAND - PAM TIBBLE	58.46	53.02	111.48
10	MICHAEL WILCOX - LIZ WILCOX	54.20	56.17	110.37
11	MARY CHAMBERLAIN - JEREMY FRASER-HOSKIN	50.80	57.47	108.27
12	PRISCILLA BLOY - NAOMI HANNAH BROWN	58.02	49.44	107.47
13	JOANNE PATERSON - ALISON PRICE	52.22	53.21	105.43
14	KATE MCFADYEN - GWYN LOBB	50.25	55.12	105.37
15	SHARON SIMIONA - LEAH ANDREWS	43.52	61.67	105.19
16	DAVE GARRETT - DENISE MAYHEW	50.49	54.38	104.88
17	ANNA KALMA - JACOB KALMA	46.79	57.96	104.75
18	ANNE BARROWCLOUGH - DEBORAH TANGNEY	55.43	48.89	104.32
19	ANTHONY WILSON - JOHN O'CONNOR	51.05	52.72	103.77
20	HERMANNA HEMMES - HANK HEMMES	49.44	54.20	103.64
21	RAY CURNOW - PHIL RUTHERFORD	47.04	56.05	103.09
21	HAFIZUR KHAN - PREM SOUNDANAYAGAM	48.52	54.57	103.09
23	KEVIN WHYTE - CLARE COLES	55.31	47.72	103.02
24	JULIA WATSON - PETER WATSON	47.28	55.68	102.96
25	KAREN SMITH - CANDICE DOYLE	59.75	42.10	101.85
26	JOY WATKINSON - NICKY BOWERS	52.65	48.89	101.54
27	NEIL BECKETT - RICHARD ANDREW	52.10	49.38	101.48
28	ZACHARY YAN - VINCENT HE	54.26	46.79	101.05
29	PAM WHITEHEAD - STUART GRANT	49.57	51.23	100.80
30	ELLA GRAY - VERA VERHAEGH	49.20	51.42	100.62
31	GRAHAM YOUNG - SHIRLEY BAIN	57.16	42.78	99.94
32	HATTIE CURTIS - BRUCE BALLARD	47.96	51.67	99.63
33	ELAINE RAYNER - ROSS STEWART	42.22	57.16	99.38
34	TERESA PHILLIPS - DAVID SPENCER	52.96	45.99	98.95
35	SHARON STRETTON - DAVE MITCHELL	42.65	56.23	98.89

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38	PAMELA GLYN - JULIAN GLYN	47.35	49.94	97.28
39	BILL PATTISON - KEN MCMAHON	49.51	47.47	96.98
40	PAM HANCOX - PHIL MERCHANT	43.77	52.90	96.67
41	BARBARA GORDON - SHERRY MALTHUS	47.84	48.58	96.42
42	JOEY CHANG - BRIAN CRAIG	52.53	43.83	96.36
43	JULIA GARDINER - ROBIN WEBCKE	48.89	47.10	95.99
44	LYNNE FEGAN - DAVID BREWER	51.79	43.02	94.81
45	HELEN ROBINSON - BETH BURDETT	42.35	52.35	94.69
46	CHARMAINE HANBURY WEBBER - TERI SONAL	49.94	44.63	94.57
47	LAURA GRIFFIN - WAYNE SMITH	51.73	41.11	92.84
48	BEV GAY - MARY PENINGTON	51.54	41.05	92.59
49	ANNE WILLIAMSON - SHEILA LISTER	50.06	42.10	92.16
49	EDWARD ROGGEVEEN - JENA ROBINSON	49.01	43.15	92.16
51	CHRISTINE YUKICH - SUE GIBBONS	38.40	52.59	90.99
52	KELVIN TIBBLE - JENNY CARR	47.53	43.09	90.62
53	MALCOLM KIRKBY - LAURIE BELFIELD	46.60	43.64	90.25
54	SUE BROWN - SALLY YEOMAN	40.43	48.40	88.83
55	ALAN WALPOLE - TERRI-ANN SCORER	42.78	45.93	88.70
56	JANE WORTHINGTON - VICKI RUSSELL	43.46	44.88	88.33
57	ALAN BLACKIE - ANN BLACKIE	46.98	40.56	87.53
58	OLIVE DENT - LEN DENT	44.38	42.78	87.16
59	JENNY POMEROY - JENNY COOPER	43.33	43.33	86.67
60	SHIRLEY LATTIMORE - DIANE GROOM	38.77	44.81	83.58
61	BARBARA CAMPBELL - ANNE SHEARER	46.79	36.48	83.27
62	ANN SMITH - CHRIS SUTTON	43.89	34.26	78.15

Novice Pairs Results

North-South			
Place	Result	%	Pair Name
1	222.0	66.07%	LEANNE CURRY - MEGAN JOLLY (2)
2	221.0	65.77%	TREVOR BELL - KAY BELL (1)
3	207.0	61.61%	DIANN VOYCE - LYNN RYAN (7)
4	166.0	49.40%	PAM HEWITT - SHAUN HEWITT (6)
5	158.0	47.02%	JUNE MCHALE - DOUGLAS PATERSON (5)
6	151.0	44.94%	DIANE MCNAIR - VIV WILLIAMS (9)
7	147.0	43.75%	AMANDA SIEMELINK - PETER TAIT-JAMIESON (3)
8	128.0	38.10%	NORMAN THOMSON - IAN GILBERT (8)
9	112.0	33.33%	MAUREEN MURPHY - MARY MACKWELL (4)
East-West			
Place	Result	%	Pair Name
1	237.0	70.54%	CHRIS COON - ANDY COON (6)
2	185.0	55.06%	DEANE HOGG - BRENDA HOGG (1)
3	183.0	54.46%	BARBARA ANDREWS - LYNNE BOYACK (2)
4	179.0	53.27%	STEPHEN BAPTIST - JANICE WILTON (8)
5	176.0	52.38%	JIM MORGAN - KATHRYN MORGAN (5)
6	163.0	48.51%	DIANE BROWN - ALLISON VINCE (9)
6	163.0	48.51%	IAN KINDRED - ROBERT FRENGLEY (3)
8	117.0	34.82%	JAKOB GAAR - LAUREN YULE (4)
9	109.0	32.44%	JO MILLINGTON - MIKE EVERARD (7)

New Zealand Open Pairs Qualifying Rankings

		Session 1	Session 2	Total
1	ROSIE DON - MICHAEL COURTNEY	62.24	71.27	133.51
2	JENNY MILLINGTON - BARRY JONES	71.15	59.28	130.44
3	XIAO PING BAO - JUNE LEI	65.49	61.28	126.77
4	ZU QIANG TAN - WATSON ZHOU	63.83	61.18	125.00
5	GARY CHEN - RICHARD SOLOMON	62.76	58.58	121.34
6	DEE HARLEY - ROBBIE VAN RIEL	61.23	59.93	121.16
7	MARTIN LOFGREN - JAN CORMACK	61.23	57.08	118.31
8	HERMAN YUAN - ANDREW LIU	59.23	57.93	117.15
9	BRIAN CLEAVER - PETER BENHAM	60.86	56.24	117.10
10	ALAN GRANT - ANTHONY KER	52.42	64.48	116.90
11	SHANE HARRISON - ELLA PATTISON	58.42	58.30	116.72
12	MICHAEL CORNELL - ASHLEY BACH	57.30	58.90	116.20
13	RUSSELL DIVE - MOSS WYLIE	56.91	58.38	115.29
14	BRIAN MACE - TOM JACOB	50.08	65.16	115.24
15	FRASER REW - BRAD COLES	56.06	58.95	115.00
16	CARLOS PELLEGRINI - STEVE BARON	60.86	54.11	114.97
17	SAMUEL COUTTS - GLENN COUTTS	55.02	58.93	113.95
18	ALICE YOUNG - JOHN MCINTOSH	53.48	60.44	113.92
19	OWEN CAMP - ANISIA SHAMI	53.74	60.12	113.87
20	GRANT JARVIS - JONATHAN WESTOBY	64.35	49.16	113.51
21	CAROL RICHARDSON - ANDI BOUGHEY	58.97	53.80	112.76
22	GRAEME STOUT - JEFF MILLER	57.22	54.97	112.20
23	MAURICE CARTER - TONY OBERDRIES	54.39	57.62	112.01
24	LIAM MILNE - TONY NUNN	52.70	58.76	111.46
25	BRETT GLASS - GARY FOIDL	55.33	55.47	110.79
26	SHIYU HUO - JUN CHEN	52.81	57.94	110.75
27	JAMIE THOMPSON - BRADLEY JOHNSTON	48.67	61.72	110.39
28	JETER LIU - JOHN WANG	59.90	50.20	110.10
29	JOHN LUONI - MURRAY JURGELEIT	48.96	60.74	109.70
30	JULIE ATKINSON - PATRICK CARTER	52.57	56.87	109.44
31	MICHAEL WHIBLEY - MATT BROWN	56.16	52.91	109.07
32	LYNNE GEURSEN - ANDREW JANISZ	56.44	52.46	108.90
33	KIERAN CROWE-MAI - COLIN BAKER	53.17	54.90	108.07
34	CHRIS ACKERLEY - DOUGLAS RUSSELL	54.29	53.78	108.06
35	GREG BUZZARD - MARILYN JACKSON	55.15	52.78	107.92
36	TRISH DOWNWARD - MARY BUCKLAND	52.21	55.57	107.78
37	JOHN SKIPPER - DAVID SKIPPER	57.67	50.04	107.71
38	LINDA CARTNER - GLENIS PALMER	56.47	51.14	107.61
39	ANDREW TARBUIT - STEVE BOUGHEY	48.62	58.80	107.42
40	GEO TISLEVOLL - MICHAEL WARE	58.81	48.48	107.28
41	BLAIR FISHER - GEORGE MASTERS	55.25	52.02	107.27
42	SUZIE BRAITHWAITE - ANDREW BRAITHWAITE	58.13	49.05	107.18
43	PAVLA FENWICK - MAX MORRISON	59.93	47.07	106.99
43	NICK JACOB - JAMES COUTTS	54.03	52.97	106.99
45	KATE TERRY - JUDY PAWSON	58.03	48.73	106.76
46	JERRY CHEN - DONG GAO BI	50.16	56.31	106.47
47	JULIAN FOSTER - JENNA GIBBONS	58.37	48.04	106.41
48	PAMELA DRAVITZKI - REBECCA OSBORNE	52.73	53.60	106.33
49	FRANCES SHEEHY - PHILLIP HENSMAN	48.96	57.07	106.03
50	ANTHONY HUTTON - MALCOLM CARTER	45.30	60.39	105.69
51	ALISTER STUCK - RUSSELL WILSON	47.84	57.61	105.45
52	PAULA GREGORY - MICHAEL JOHNSTONE	62.68	42.32	105.00
53	DAVID MCLEISH - PAULA MCLEISH	50.99	53.81	104.80
54	NOEL WOODHALL - IAN CLAYTON	55.43	48.36	103.79
55	MARTIN BLOOM - PETER GILL	55.85	47.65	103.50

56	KATHY YULE - KENNETH YULE	54.63	48.85	103.48
57	MARTIN OYSTON - PAT OYSTON	45.87	57.58	103.45
58	KATHY KER - MURRAY MCMILLAN	53.20	50.00	103.20
59	DEAN SOLE - WARREN JOHNSON	46.78	56.37	103.15
60	VANESSA BROWN - WILLIAM JENNER-O'SHEA	47.69	55.44	103.13
61	CLAIR MIAO - BRUCE MARR	48.23	54.75	102.98
62	VERNA BROOKES - ADRIENNE KELLY	56.29	46.61	102.90
63	JOHN KRUIINIGER - FIONA TEMPLE	49.61	53.13	102.74
64	CAROL DE LUCA - BEV HENTON	48.70	53.94	102.64
65	SUSAN ROWE - CHERYL WINSOR	59.28	43.31	102.59
66	GINA HSU - ALAN CURRIE	47.35	54.95	102.30
67	LIZ HAVAS - BEVERLEY STACEY	54.16	48.13	102.28
68	BRUCE BATCHELOR - ADRIAN ABRAHAM	51.82	50.04	101.86
69	EVELYN HURLEY - BOB HURLEY	49.95	51.56	101.51
70	GRAEME NORMAN - PATRICK D'ARCY	50.44	50.71	101.15
71	EILEEN HORSMAN - BOB GROVER	45.71	55.26	100.98
72	SERHAT OZENIR - MARGARET YUILL	55.56	45.40	100.96
73	ALAN TURNER - STEPHEN FRANCKS	41.68	59.04	100.73
74	LES GOULD - PIETER VERHOEK	50.39	50.04	100.43
75	JOHN PATTERSON - MURAT GENÇ	48.93	51.36	100.30
76	CHARLES MCMAHON - JOHN MCMAHON	52.94	47.24	100.18
77	BARRY PALMER - NEIL STUCKEY	41.09	58.07	99.16
78	LORRAINE STACHURSKI - MINDY WU	45.89	53.19	99.08
78	GARY HANNA - REX BENSON	50.99	48.09	99.08
80	TIMOTHY HEALY - GARY DUNCAN	48.36	50.22	98.58
81	RICHARD LAPHORNE - NEIL HAWKINS	45.58	52.93	98.51
82	KATE DAVIES - ANNE SOMERVILLE	47.06	50.81	97.88
83	ELEANOR MOREL - LORRAINE MCARTHUR	44.80	53.04	97.85
84	JOHANNA PERFECT - HAMISH BROWN	52.55	45.14	97.69
85	JENNY WILSON - ALAN DODDRIDGE	46.67	50.41	97.09
86	SANDY REGAN - DEREK EVENNETT	54.47	42.53	97.00
87	JIM WALLIS - BILL NASH	51.04	45.45	96.49
88	MICHAEL NEELS - MALCOLM SMITH	50.47	45.51	95.98
89	BOB SEBESFI - RICHARD DOUGLAS	52.42	43.47	95.89
90	CAROLYN YEOMANS - JAN WHYTE	50.86	44.63	95.49
91	GEOFF OLSEN - STEPHEN BROOKES	48.75	46.73	95.48
92	SUE INGHAM - TERRY BROWN	44.13	51.10	95.22
93	TRUDY LANGE - ROSEMARY MATSKOWS	50.65	44.31	94.96
94	CHRIS BOLLAND - LUKE KELLY	46.41	48.45	94.86
95	SUE SPENCER - BEV GUILFORD	48.57	46.27	94.84
96	PETER MCCASKILL - JEFF THOMPSON	47.84	46.90	94.75
97	PAUL HANGARTNER - MARK HANGARTNER	45.79	48.94	94.74
98	AMANDA SMITH - MICHELLE ENGLAND	44.72	49.98	94.70
99	KAREN HARRIS - ELIZABETH FISHER	54.16	40.39	94.55
100	ALAN GEARE - DEBBIE COOPER	44.80	49.18	93.98
101	NEIL RUDDLELL - TANIA BROWN	49.45	44.42	93.87
102	LESLEY ANDREW - KAY NICHOLAS	47.61	46.11	93.71
103	ROBYN NIGHTINGALE - DON NIGHTINGALE	51.53	42.11	93.65
104	JILL CHURCH - RHONDDA SWEETMAN	45.66	47.54	93.20
105	MARK ROBERTSON - SYLVESTER RIDDELL	44.83	48.36	93.19
106	PETER DELAHUNTY - LYNDIA RIGLER	41.01	51.96	92.97
107	CAROL MINCHIN - ROGER MINCHIN	48.47	44.21	92.68
108	WILLIAM LIU - GEORGE SUN	46.28	46.35	92.64
109	ARTHUR BENNETT - GILLIAN BENNETT	48.00	44.62	92.62
110	TOM HENWOOD - TOM WINIATA	41.74	50.78	92.51
111	LYNETTE MORGAN - IAN BOND	44.13	48.13	92.26
112	KEVIN FAN - HANK PING	41.32	50.69	92.01
113	RODNEY HARRIS - LUCIE ARMSTRONG	45.76	46.11	91.88
114	JOHN DAVIDSON - TIMOTHY SCHUMACHER	50.60	41.26	91.86

115	JAMES YANG - YUZHONG CHEN	51.30	40.19	91.49
116	LEE WALTERS - PATSY WALTERS	43.74	47.06	90.80
117	JUDY MCLEOD - KAREN MARTELLETTI	48.57	42.21	90.78
118	KEVIN STEFFENSEN - NEVILLE FRANCIS	41.22	49.14	90.36
119	DAVID MCRAE - FERN MCRAE	47.58	42.69	90.27
119	COLIN CARRYER - SANDRA CALVERT	48.96	41.31	90.27
121	OLIVER HOFFMANN - JEFFREY LUH	57.25	32.48	89.73
122	DIANA LEES - ALISTER BUCHANAN	49.40	40.13	89.53
123	PEER BACH - SETSUKO LICHTNECKER	43.06	46.46	89.52
124	SAM BAILEY - VICTORIA BOUTON	40.20	49.29	89.50
125	BEVERLEY MORRIS - ALLAN MORRIS	44.78	44.66	89.44
126	MARUTA BOYD - TRACEY LEWIS	47.56	41.76	89.32
127	HARRY SHEPHERD - TONY WINTERS	49.43	39.59	89.02
128	GRAHAM STERN - ALAN PARKES	44.91	44.08	88.98
129	BRUCE INGLIS - PETER HENSMAN	41.09	47.53	88.62
130	ALAN DICK - HEINI LUX	41.19	47.25	88.44
131	CHRIS TURNER - IAN BRASH	45.63	42.66	88.29
132	VAL GARDINER - ANTHONY HOPKINS	41.61	46.55	88.16
133	MURRAY WOOD - RACHELLE PELKMAN	38.38	49.67	88.05
134	ANN BAKER - HELENA DAWSON	38.31	49.28	87.58
135	GYTIS DANTA - JOHN STACEY	37.16	50.27	87.43
136	LINDSEY GUY - STEVE GRAY	37.40	48.09	85.48
137	BOB LAWRENCE - ANN WOODHEAD	42.72	42.58	85.31
138	MICHAEL CURRY - PAMELA CANNING	42.88	42.35	85.23
139	CAROLYN WOOD - ROBIN YOUNG	43.11	41.59	84.70
140	CHRISTINE CHOWCHUVECH - N RUSSELL T	45.43	38.46	83.88
141	WENDY MCENTEGART - CHRISTINE WILSON	40.77	42.54	83.31
142	MARY-ELLEN NEWTON - DALLAS DAGG	36.72	46.53	83.25
143	JANE MORRIS - TOBY GORDON	34.80	47.16	81.96
144	ANNE M MCGREGOR - ERNIE SUTTON	43.30	38.33	81.62
145	JOHN DRISCOLL - RONA DRISCOLL	36.64	44.57	81.22
146	ALAN HAMILTON - JUNE GLENN	38.25	40.41	78.66
147	JENNY DELANY - SUSAN LAURENSEN	48.36	30.04	78.41
148	GLENYS DEAN - ROB ARMSTRONG	39.19	38.94	78.13
149	DAVID COOK - SITA MONAGHAN	39.40	38.41	77.80
150	DORIS CHAPMAN - GEOFF NORRIS	35.21	31.50	66.71



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INFORMATION

Grape Varieties	Chardonnay
Region	Marlborough
Sub region	Wairua Valley
Vineyard/s	Headwaters
Clonal Selection	15
Harvest method	Machine
Harvest date	23/3/15
Harvest Analysis	Brix 21.4
Fermentation vessel	Stainless steel tank and oak barrel
Fermentation	Wild yeast
Malolactic	50-60%
Maturation	8 months
Fining	Gelatine
Filtration	0.45 micron



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