



2019 NZB Congress

The carnival's nearly over

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Grand Designs Grandmaster

Congratulations are in order to Tracey Lewis, one of the newest Grandmasters. Tracey has been instrumental in fostering youth bridge in Auckland.

A big wow! too for sharing her new home at Waipu Cove on Grand Designs on Wednesday night. Tracey and husband David's vision for a modernist steel and glass house is well worth watching.

Know your partner's style

Jim Wallis brought me a bidding decision a couple of days ago.

He held ♠KJ75, ♥J107, ♦Q10953, ♣2

The auction started:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Jim		Bill	
		1NT	2♦ ¹
pass	2♠ ²	3♠	pass
?			

- Both red suits or spades
- Pass or correct

It's a puzzle. How can partner open 1NT and then bid 3♠? Is the bid natural? Takeout (hardly likely given partner's nominally balanced shape). To play? That seems unlikely too, given the pass or

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All comments & suggestions welcomed

correct auction.
Asking for a
spade stopper
for 3NT? For
that, partner
would need to
have something
like eight tricks
in his own hand.
Nevertheless,
Jim, knowing
partner Bill's style, bid 3NT.



Bill had ♠64, ♥K63, ♦A6, ♣AKQJ109

Yes to the 15-17 notrump range, but more like 20 HCP in reality!

Random deals from the semi final

In Stanza 1, Tania Lloyd – Hugh Grosvenor, NSW faced Canterbury – Taranaki women's pair Jan Alabaster – Pam Livingstone while Hamilton pair

Michael Courtney – Rose Don faced Cantabrians David Skipper – Tim Schumacher.

In the other match, Ashley Bach – Michael Cornell, both Team NZ but living on both sides of the Tasman, Sydney and Auckland, played Ishmael Del'Monte – Moss Wylie, Las Vegas, Nevada and Invercargill, while Matt Brown – Michael Ware, Aucklanders, played Sydneysiders Paul Dalley – William Zhang. BACH also had the luxury of a third pair, the dependable Tom Jacob—Brian Mace from Auckland.

Ishmael found the winning lead on this contentious deal.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1♥	2♥ ¹	4♥	4♠
all pass			

1. Spades and clubs

What do you lead from ♠98, ♥KQ1054, ♦A83, ♣K108

Answer later.



It's tough on the bench—Tom and Brian wait it out


On the next deal Ashley and Michael sauntered into 4♥, which doesn't look so great in a vacuum, but improved after ♦Q lead. Ashley half-alerted 2♣ as Drury, and a 3♣ bid by Ashley prompted Mike to bid 4♥. After winning ♦A, Moss continued a second diamond. Ashley won, and ran ♣Q to Moss.

In with ♣K, Moss continued a third diamond, followed by ♣J and a third club. When Ishmael discarded ♦J, Ashley ruffed low and played a fourth diamond, as Moss discarded a club.

Ashley ruffed a fourth club, followed by ♠A and a second spade. Moss, in with ♠K, switched to a heart, but 10 tricks were in the bag.

With the cards behaving so well, the 3NT contract at the other table, while inferior, should still have furnished 9 tricks.

Semi, Board 15, South deals, NS vulnerable


				♠ A K 8
				♥ A Q 8 5 4 2
				♦ Q
				♣ K Q 6
♠ 6 3				♠ J 10 9 7 4
♥ K J				♥ 10 9 7 6
♦ 10 9 8 7 3				♦ 5
♣ 10 8 4 2				♣ J 7 5
				♠ Q 5 2
				♥ 3
				♦ A K J 6 4 2
				♣ A 9 3
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	
			1 ♦	
Pass	1 ♥	pass	3 ♦	
Pass	4NT	pass	5 ♦ ¹	
7NT	all pass			

1. 3 Key Cards

An unlucky diamond break put paid to 7NT and dampened Del'Monte's aspirations; Ishmael didn't bother playing the hand, just claimed 12 or 13 tricks on the diamond break when Michael followed to the first diamond. Unlucky.

I know you've been waiting patiently to find out whether your lead to 4♠ on the hand on page 2 was best. Ishmael's choice was ♣8.

Semi 2, Board 17, North deals, nil vulnerable

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

Put yourself in Ashley's place: does it not look for all the world like a singleton?

Wrong! Moss ruffed, and switched to a diamond. Ishmael cashed ♣K and gave Moss a second ruff for down one.

On my side of the screen, there was very little hesitation. I thought Moss would save in 5♥, but no, he was thinking of making a Lightner Double for an unusual lead.

Unlucky was not the word for the slam from Stanza 1, when in the SKIPPER – GROSVENOR match, 6NT +1440 from the West seat was duplicated.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Lloyd		Grosvenor	
1♦	Pass	1♠	pass
1NT	pass	6NT	all pass


What do you lead from ♠10754, ♥J96, ♦762, ♣1082 on the auction above?

Leading from your strongest holding (hearts) works out well when partner holds ♠83, ♥AQ532, ♦J94, ♣765 sitting over ♥K.

On a heart lead, the result is +200 due to South's pathetic heart pips. In the other match, the scores were also duplicated: 3NT by East +720!

In Stanza 3, I wasn't at the table, but my instinct tells me that Michael Courtney heard East open 1♥, and after a 3♥ 0-6 raise, found that West held the damning ♥A.

Semi final 3, Board 10, East deals, all vulnerable

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

That meant that in 5♦, East held ♦K, ergo a diamond to the ace was the only way to make 11 tricks. This was not the view taken at the other table, so 12 IMPs to GROSVENOR.

Active ethics

Richard Lapthorne submitted a second article lauding Matt Brown's ethics on a deal from the NZ Teams Qualifying.



Q3, Board 14, East deals, nil vulnerable

♠ 7 3
♥ A J 5
♦ 10 8 6 5
♣ A 8 6 5

♠ A 4 2
♥ 10 7 4 3
♦ 3 2
♣ K J 9 4

♠ K Q J 10 8 5
♥ Q 8 6
♦ K 7 4
♣ Q

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Richard	Michael	Mehboob	Matt
		pass	1 ♠
Pass	1NT ¹	pass	2 ♣ ²
pass	3 ♣ ³	all pass	

1. Semi forcing, 6—11 (12
2. 16+ or six spades
3. 6+ clubs <8 HCP

Matt was in possession of unauthorised information when Michael didn't alert his 2♣ bid, meaning he had forgotten the system (at Michael's suggestion, they had agreed to play Gazzilli, where 2♣ is never natural) (to show clubs Matt would have had to bid 2♠.)

Leaving himself to play in the 4-1 fit was a totally ethical action.

Where many would try to improve the contract, Matt's action was commendable.



Evelyn and Bob Hurley, perennial congress attendees from Palmerton North, made good use of their system to arrive at 6♥ on this deal:

Seniors T6, Board 20, West deals, all vulnerable

♠ K 10 6 5 3

♥ Q 5

♦ K J 6 4

♣ 4 3

♠ J

♥ J 10 8 6

♦ A 10 9 8

♣ Q J 8 6

♠ 9 7 4

♥ A K 9 7 4 3

♦ 2

♣ A K 10

♠ A Q 8 2

♥ 2

♦ Q 7 5 2

♣ 9 7 5 2

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
pass	pass	1♥	pass
2♠ ¹	pass	4NT	pass
5♣	pass	6♥	all pass

1. Splinter

14 + 9 (23) = 12 tricks!

I looked at the board frequencies and was surprised to see that three pairs had bid slam – well done! Bob and Evelyn, however, have been credited with making 6♠, no mean feat with their combined spade holding. At one table (no Homer Award requested, and no names published, either) West languished in 2♠, four down. Guess East won't forget to recognise a splinter again!

Arch's angels

I spotted two young women heading away from the hotel after this afternoon's session; they looked so happy discussing the hands I asked whether I could take their photos. I was pleased to learn they were from Mt Albert Bridge Club, and had been taught by Arch Jelley.



In order to defeat hatred,
we play the Card of Peace



Youth MAGAZINE

Two years after their lessons, Bigi and Suzi are enjoying bridge to the max; great to see! They should be happy too—they won the Junior Pairs.



Birgit Cameron and Suzi Hails

All inclusive bridge congress

From a non-Kiwi point of view, visitors to the NZBridge Congress are always amazed at the sheer volume of bridge on offer, and the different events offering something for everyone.

Today young Auckland player and director Jeremy Fraser-Hoskin was

seen helping his blind father Peter to the table to play with Jeremy's mother Kathrine Fraser.

Peter has special cards with braille markings on them so can "see" the cards. How great that he can

enjoy the game, and how great that the organisers accommodate him.

Peter and Kathrine played in Friday's Junior Pairs and finished midway in the field.





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24th – Holiday Bridge walk-in (club session - 1pm start)

25th – Waikato-Bays Provincial 10A Pairs *

26th – Open 10A Teams \$75 (includes the Consolation Pairs)

27th – Consolation 3A Pairs and teams finals

* Subject to approval by NZB there could be an Open Restricted Pairs held on this date also

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Senior Pairs

Place	Pair Names	Carry Fwd	Session 1	Session 2	Total
1	TOM KISS - ALASDAIR BECK		62.5	59.2	121.69
2	EILEEN HORSMAN - BOB GROVER		61.86	58.85	120.7
3	MICHAEL NEELS - ELLA GRAY		60.35	59.91	120.27
4	ANDREW JANISZ - TREVOR ROBB		57.86	58.42	116.29
5	ADRIENNE KELLY - KEN DAWSON		60.41	55.75	116.16
6	JUNE GLENN - ALAN HAMILTON		57.35	58.35	115.7
7	LES GOULD - GARY DUNCAN		59.54	53.96	113.5
8	TRUDY LANGE - SUE SPENCER		57.35	55.73	113.09
9	GEO TISLEVOLL - PREM SOUNDRA		54.28	58.61	112.89
10	SETSUKO LICHTNECKER - PEER BACH		57.73	53.67	111.4
11	ANNE M MCGREGOR - HAMISH RYAN		55.08	56.28	111.35
12	HARRY SHEPHERD - GEORGE LO		54.01	57.31	111.32
13	LYNDA RIGLER - PETER DELAHUNTY		59.55	50.52	110.07
14	MARY BUCKLAND - TRISH DOWNWARD		49.65	60.17	109.82
15	ERNIE SUTTON - FRANCES SHEEHY		55.69	53.81	109.5
16	GRANT JARVIS - JONATHAN WESTOBY		52.36	57.08	109.43
17	JOAN WALDVOGEL - EFFIE GALLIE		54.44	54.55	108.99
18	LYNETTE MORGAN - IAN BOND		62.44	46.46	108.9
19	N RUSSELL THOMSON - PETER HENSMAN		60.35	48.26	108.61
20	LIZ HAVAS - DEE HARLEY		53.75	54.05	107.8
21	KATE MCFADYEN - KEVIN WHYTE		53.71	53.38	107.1
22	SUSAN ROWE - JOEY CHANG		58.03	49.02	107.05
23	TONY WINTERS - ALAN GEARE		62.44	44.12	106.57
24	LYNNE GEURSEN - CHERYL WINSOR		52.02	54.06	106.08
25	LORRAINE MCARTHUR - ELEANOR MOREL		55.75	50.17	105.93
26	STEPHEN GOODMAN - BRUCE INGLIS		53.34	51.89	105.24
27	BOB SEBESFI - MARTIN DORAN		55.08	49.31	104.39
28	FRANCES BALL - BEV HENTON		41.15	62.63	103.78
29	RICHARD SOLOMON - LINDSEY GUY		52.46	51.17	103.63
30	OLIVER HOFFMANN - BRIAN ASHWELL		55.76	47.72	103.48
31	NOLA CLARK - RUSSELL WATT		55.88	47.19	103.07
32	DON HAYWARD - RICHARD PARKINSON		49.37	53.46	102.82
33	LESLIE WATT - JANET WOODFIELD		47.32	55.07	102.39
34	PAT RUTHERFORD - MARION KELLY		51.02	50.76	101.78
35	CAROLYN WOOD - ROBIN YOUNG		55.2	46.54	101.74
36	JENNY WILSON - ALAN DODDRIDGE		47.56	54.1	101.66
37	JOY WATKINSON - NICKY BOWERS		50.38	49.8	100.18
38	JUDY PLIMMER - LORRAINE INGLIS		43.36	56.8	100.16
39	NOEL WOODHALL - IAN CLAYTON		52.37	47.09	99.46
40	IAN MOORE - PAM MOORE		48.16	50.54	98.71
41	MARY SUTTON - BARRIE HERBISON		49.29	49.23	98.52
42	JOAN SMITH - JUDE HANSEN		45.51	52.06	97.57
43	TIMOTHY HEALY - HELEN HEALY		59.41	37.98	97.39
44	BARBARA DALY - JOAN GORDON		39.78	57.56	97.34
45	MICHAEL WILCOX - LIZ WILCOX		46.93	50.02	96.94
46	NONG LI - HENRY XI		42.28	53.46	95.73
47	ALAN DORMER - ALLAN MORRIS		50.49	44.96	95.46
48	JAN WHYTE - CAROLYN YEOMANS		45.29	49.63	94.92
49	DAVID WHITTLE - CHRISTINE BURTON		39.39	55.52	94.91
50	NOEL GRIGG - DAVID MACDONALD		40.03	53.21	93.24
51	LUCIE ARMSTRONG - MALCOLM SMITH		50.08	41.35	91.43

52	ANITA THIRTLE - LYNN HALL	44.7	46.69	91.39
53	HEATHER JARED - WARREN JOHNSON	45.06	46.22	91.28
54	MURRAY PHILLIPS - MURRAY MCMILLAN	50.57	40.69	91.26
55	TONY SUTICH - LORRAINE SUTICH	44.54	46.51	91.05
56	HEATHER MELVILLE - DOT SKOUSGAARD	49.42	39.77	89.19
57	BARBARA HUTTON - LORRAINE PEACOCK	39.66	48.74	88.4
58	NIGEL GRESSON - ALLISON SMITH	36.66	51.63	88.28
59	BOB BROWN - SUE BROWN	42.18	45.61	87.8
60	SITA MONAGHAN - JANA BOTT	44.19	43.17	87.36
61	PRU ROBERTSON - MARK LYNN	46.08	40.98	87.07
62	DONG GAO BI - ALAN CURRIE	43.05	43.01	86.06
63	KEVIN HILL - WAYNE MCCOY	43.9	41.15	85.05
64	COLETTE FERMOR - GRAEME EUSTACE	34.83	49.95	84.78
65	STEPHEN BROOKES - VERA BROOKES	39.27	44.47	83.74
66	ENID TROWER - CHRIS TROWER	40.14	43.32	83.47
67	IAN BRASH - CHRIS TURNER	38.85	32.73	71.58
68	KEVIN GRUNDY - ROGER JOHNSON	41.68	28.49	70.16
69	DAVID BREWER - LYNNE FEGAN	33.83	35.01	68.84
70	SARAH GREEN - LYN MULLER		51.85	51.85
71	SARAH GREEN - K O'BRIEN	48.31		48.31

NZ Teams Semi-Final

Results after 4 of 4 stanzas

C/Fwd Stanza 1 Stanza 2 Stanza 3 Stanza 4 Total

BACH (1) ASHLEY BACH - BRIAN
MACE - MATT BROWN - MICHAEL
CORNEILL - MICHAEL WARE -
TOM JACOB

12 28 33 31 16 120

DELMONTE (2) ISHMAEL DELMONTE
- MOSS WYLIE - PAUL DALLEY -
WILLIAM ZHANG

0 19 26 18 7 70

SKIPPER (3) DAVID SKIPPER - JAN AL-
ABASTER - PAMELA LIVINGSTON -
TIMOTHY SCHUMACHER

0 8 14 28 14 64

GROSVENOR (4) ROSE DON - TANIA
LLOYD - CHRIS DEPASQUALE - HUGH
GROSVENOR - MICHAEL COURTNEY

3.68 26 26 39 24 118.68

Intermediate Pairs

Place	Pair Names	Carry Fwd	Session 1	Session 2	Total
1	JOHN WALLER - YVONNE HUGHES		60.48	57.69	118.18
2	MARIT VAN RANGELROOY - BIANCA VAN RANGELROOY		62.53	54.03	116.56
3	SUE WEDDE - CHERYL PARSONS		54.96	60.24	115.2
4	MING HIGH - JAN BENNETT		56.82	54.9	111.72
5	MANDY KELLY - LEE ORTON		56.08	55.27	111.35
6	BARRY CHISHOLM - FEILICITY HANNAY		54.78	56.45	111.23
7	MARY HAMILTON - VICKI ADNAMS		53.23	57.75	110.98
8	KEVIN HU - RYAN SONG		57.07	52.61	109.68
8	BARBARA MCFARLANE - TED CLIFFIN		55.52	54.16	109.68
10	CHRIS CURREEN - TOM MULVEY		51.12	57.94	109.06
11	JAN GYENGE - SIMON EMINSON		61.35	47.39	108.75
12	HILDA BURGESS - SANDY CONNON		43.42	65.26	108.68
13	YVONNE JANES - RON JANES		55.02	53.6	108.62
14	NICK CANTLON - SALLY WHITAKER		57.32	51.18	108.5
15	JOANNE SWANWICK - JUDITH HOWARD		51.86	56.14	108
16	MIKE BUNCE - JEAN RATH		54.28	53.66	107.94
17	UPALI SARATHCHANDRA - RIC BROADHURST		54.84	52.85	107.69
18	BEE CAMPBELL - CHRIS SUTTON		51.18	56.39	107.57
19	CHRISTINE DARVELL - CATH PREEN		52.98	54.34	107.32
20	PAUL ROGERS - MARK BENDALL		51.86	54.78	106.64
21	JEFF ELTON - JO SMITH		53.16	52.79	105.96
22	DIANE RODGER - RUTH SWEATMAN		52.3	53.47	105.77
23	MING SHU YANG - GILL PHILLIPPO		55.71	50	105.71
23	DEBBIE MARCROFT - GARRY HODGE		54.16	51.55	105.71
25	BARBARA IMLACH - ANNETTE MARTIN		55.83	48.95	104.78
26	ANNA POWELL - LEAH ANDREWS		49.19	54.78	103.97
27	SANDRA PEARCE - TAKAYO YANAGISAWA		52.98	50.93	103.91
28	HEATHER JACK - MANDY MACLEAN		46.53	56.76	103.29
29	CHRIS FLEMING - JESSICA MORRIS		54.34	48.82	103.16
30	WALT CRAWSHAW - LIZ CRAWSHAW		57.13	45.78	102.92
31	TERESA ROBERTS - LOIS CLEAVER		56.2	46.59	102.79
32	GLENN BUSH - DENNIS MCKINLAY		52.54	50.12	102.67
33	SANDRA HOLLIS - PATRICK COSTELLO		53.35	47.39	100.74
34	DOUGAL WATSON - KAY DIXON		49.88	50.5	100.37
35	ANN CEGARRA - MARY MCCALLUM		47.02	53.29	100.31
36	CHRIS GIBSON - ANNE CLARKE		48.08	51.92	100
37	FRANCES RANKIN - DEREK RANKIN		45.6	52.98	98.57
38	ALAN MCRAE - RICHARD HISHON		44.6	53.91	98.51
39	KIM CHUNG - ADRIENNE REHIOUI		50.5	47.46	97.95
40	DONNA PRENTICE - JANICE WILTON		50.87	46.28	97.15
41	ANDEANA PILALIS - JACOB PILALIS		42.37	54.28	96.65
42	ROS CRIGHTON - SARAH WALDRON		48.14	48.39	96.53
43	SHERRY ELTON - KEVIN GRIFFIN		48.39	47.89	96.28
44	ANGELA NEWTON - MIKE NEWTON		46.03	50.12	96.15
45	ANGIE FITZGERALD - CHRIS FITZGERALD		47.15	48.7	95.84
46	JULIE QUILTY - KEVIN BIRCH		45.16	50.31	95.47
47	LAURA GRIFFIN - CINDY LOWNDES		42.74	52.61	95.35
48	CATHY CARROLL - CAROLINE GRIFFIN		49.01	43.67	92.68
49	ROSEMARY JACKSON - ANGELA SIGNAL		41	51.3	92.31
49	KEVIN COOMBE - ROCHELLE VAN HEUVEN		47.27	45.04	92.31

51	COLIN ROBERTS - CHRISelda MCMILLAN	51.61	40.51	92.12
52	AROHA MAHONEY - DENNIS HOWELL	46.84	42.62	89.45
53	CHARMAINE CHURCHES - BEVERLEY MCCONDACH	51.24	37.97	89.21
54	LYNN DARNILL - WENDY PATERSON	41.75	47.27	89.02
55	CHRIS GLYDE - MARIA CASCI	41.94	46.77	88.71
56	SHIRLEY LATTIMORE - JAN STUPPLES	39.14	49.26	88.4
57	BERNADETTE BARRY ADDY - GRAHAM ANDERSON	43.55	44.73	88.28
58	ANNETTE FEA - NICKI BELLEW	46.71	41.19	87.9
59	GAEL SANDERS - DEBZ MORRIS	41.87	44.6	86.48
60	ARTHUR MANN - BETH MANN	38.71	46.71	85.42
61	LYN BAILIE - PATTY SPENCER	46.46	37.28	83.75
62	CHRISTINE JUDD - LAUREN LEHNDORF	43.42	38.03	81.45
63	MEL GILMOUR - RUTH HOFFENSETZ	45.97	32.88	78.85
64	DIANE MCKENZIE - ANITA DYNES	36.85	36.97	73.82

NZ Teams Final

Results after 2 of 6 stanzas

	C/Fwd	Stanza 1	Stanza 2	Total
BACH (1)	11.05	21	73	105.05
GROSVENOR (2)	0	23	11	34

Other Friday events will be published in tomorrow's bulletin. Thanks for reading!



A director's job is very hard



National 15A Teams

November 9 – 10

to be held at Nelson Contract Bridge Club,

21 Haven Road Nelson

Saturday: Start 10am - 6.30pm approx.

Sunday: Start 9.30am – 2.30pm approx.

followed by The Prizegiving

Entry \$90 per player, \$360 per team

includes catered lunches, continuous refreshments and nibbles

Director: David Stephen

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