

SABF



## MIXED TRIALS 2023

20th - 25th March 2023

Congratulations to the winning team of Lex Van Vught, Joy Rothenberg, Craig Gower, Rita Gawron, Tim Cope and Janine Masojada and to the worthy runners up Michele Alexander, Glen Holman, Merle Modlin and Peter Ward who conceded the match at the end of day one.

James Grant (SABF PRESIDENT)

### Team Information

**Lex Van Vught**

**Craig Gower**

**Joy Rothenberg**

**Rita Gawron**

**Janine Masojada**

**Tim Cope**



**Michele Alexander**

**Glen Holman**

**Merle Modlin**

**Peter Ward**

### Day 4 Results

#### FINAL

	IMPs		IMPs	
van Vught	132,5	vs	51	Alexander

# Session 1

## Board 3

I thought a fitting end to this tournament would be to pay tribute to one of our top players who has done so much for bridge in this country over the years. So sit back and enjoy watching Tim Cope in action.

### Bidding

Dealer South

EW vul

East	W	N	E	S
♠ AQ98				pass
♥ AK42	pass	3D	dbl	5D
♦ A	pass	pass	dbl	pass
♣ AK108	5S	pass	?	

Your partner's 5♣ suggests long spades but she could hold tram tickets, a lot of points could be won or lost here depending on what you decide to do.

Tim gave this some thought and bid 6♠, this made and was a gain of 13 imps when they stopped in 5♠ in the other room

Here is the full hand

Board 3  
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6♠ Q♥ J♥ 9♥ Q♣ 4♣ 3♣ K♦ Q♦ 8♦ 5♦ 3♦ 2♦

N North: glensa

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

West	North	East	South
Pass	3♦	Dbl	5♦
Pass	Pass	Dbl	Pass
5♠	Pass	6♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

A♠ Q♠ 9♠ 8♠ A♥ K♥ 4♥ 2♥ A♣ K♣ 10♣ 8♣ A♦

W West: Sweetpea50

E East: tec1234

4♠ 2♠ 10♥ 6♥ 5♥ 3♥ J♣ 7♣ 2♣ J♦ 10♦ 9♦ 7♦

S South: lady macb

6♠ West

NS 0 EW 0

## Session 3

### Board 1

Board 1

Tim isn't shy to bid up his hand when he has good distribution as the following hand illustrates

#### Bidding

Dealer North

No one vul

East	W	N	E	S
♠ -		pass	2H(1)	2S
♥ A10932	3D	3S	4C	pass
♦ 85	4H	4S	pass	pass
♣ QJ9832	5C	dbl	pass	pass
	5H	dbl	?	


1) Semi-weak 2, 8-12 points

You weren't expecting your partner to pull the 5♣ doubled but she didn't know you had bid 2♥ with only five of them. Are you better off at the 5 level in hearts or the 6 level in clubs?

Tim decided that clubs was the better option and bid six which North again happily doubled.

Here is the full hand

**Board 1**




N North: glensa


West	North	East	South
	Pass	2♥	2♠
3♦	3♠	4♣	Pass
4♥	4♠	Pass	Pass
5♣	Dbl	Pass	Pass
5♥	Dbl	6♣	Pass
Pass	Dbl	Pass	Pass
Pass			



W West: Sweetpea50



E East: tec1234



S South: lady macb

6♠x East

NS 0 EW 0

South led a top spade and with diamonds breaking 3-2 Tim had no trouble making 12 tricks, a gain of 17 points when South stole the contract in 4♠ in the other room

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