



The President's Address

Hope springs eternal and it is with renewed hope that I look forward to 2023. COVID is still with us but no longer holds us in its fearful grip and so we are dusting ourselves off after more than two years of self-imposed captivity and returning to something resembling normality.

In the Bridge world our unions are holding live events and our clubs have opened their doors again and players are slowly drifting back. Online bridge has given us a new dimension to bridge and we are all grateful for that, but we should welcome it as an addition to, not a replacement of, bridge as it was intended to be played. For all of you who are still hesitant to return to live bridge I can do no better than to paraphrase those historic words of president John F. Kennedy, "ask not what your club can do for you – ask what you can do for your club".

It remains for me to thank my committee of Jocelyn, Roz, Kit, Andrew, Helen, Annie, Philip, Graham, Arie, Ice, Peter and Bernard for all their hard work and support during the year and finally a big thank you to our webmaster and previous editor Nicky Stephens, and a warm welcome to our new editor Dédre Fouquet.

I wish them all and as always all of you a safe and peaceful festive season, and all the very best in the New Year.

James Grant

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Impala Open - Red Point Teams Competition

South Africa's first face to face Red Point Teams competition since COVID lockdown was held on Sunday 23 October in the Western Cape. The Impala Open attracted 16 Teams entries from places as far afield as Darling, Durbanville and Stanford. A Swiss movement (with a Danish last round) over 6 rounds was held, with 9 board rounds and additional point-a-board scoring. Participants enjoyed morning tea and sandwiches, a delicious lunch, and afternoon tea and pastries - and oh yes! They enjoyed proper Bridge at the table!

Teams were graded A or B:

A section winners were team TERBLANCHE (Peter Terblanche, Hilary Nick, Kitty Cruise, Colette Stott), with runners up team NARUNSKY (Maureen Narunsky, Michael Alexander, Diniar Minwalla, Nancy Minwalla).

B section winners were team RODE (Renee Rode, Chris Norman, Bryan Strydom and Joe Abramowitz).

Winners team Terblanche (Peter Terblanche, Hilary Nick, Kitty Cruise, Colette Stott)

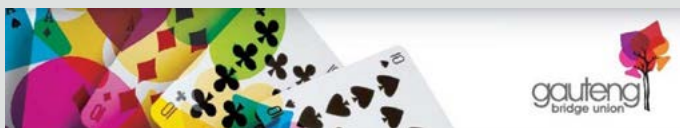
Runners up team Narunsky (Maureen Narunsky, Michael Alexander, Diniar and Nancy Minwalla)

B section winners team Rode (Renee Rode, Chris Norman, Bryan Strydom, Joe Abramowitz)

(Prizegiving with Andrew Cruise Impala Chair, Phil King Impala Treasurer, and Steve McGibbon trophy awarded by Adele McGibbon)



The GBU Live Pairs Event



The first GBU Face to Face Pairs Event in a long time was held at The Links on Sunday 23rd October. It was an all day event which attracted an entry of 44 pairs. The competition was organised as a random seating affair, although players were graded as A, B or C dependent on their standard of play. This format is popular as it gives players a chance to play a wide variety of entrants.

The cost was only R100 per player for a whole day of bridge play (too many boards some entrants said!) and no charge for any of the eats or drinks which were in plentiful supply throughout the day. The GBU wanted to give something back to their faithful members who had paid up their subscription fees throughout the Covid era, although no clubs were open. It was a great social occasion and everyone was happy to see the old familiar faces back at the tables. A few moans about 'I must sort my cards myself and remember not to revoke or play at the wrong time!' but it was not long before everyone there got into the swing of things and enjoyed it. Really this is bridge as it should be played.

There were a huge number of prizes to be won too. Just for sitting in a particular place, e.g. A section Table 2 E, could win you anything from a good bottle of wine to a Woolworths voucher or beauty products or a kitchen item!

Even bidding and making a slam was worth a prize! Surprisingly only 7 slams were bid and made during the whole day and the two names which came out of the hat were Lotte Sorenson and Bernard Donde. Nearest to 50% with a score of 50.52% were Ian Smith and Ian Lowdon and this netted them a prize.

The main prizewinners were as follows:

A Grade 1st with a magnificent score of 70.82% Hennie Fick and Neville Eber
2nd with 65.58% Peta Balderson and Jenny Gautschi

B Grade 1st Mark Eisen and Vivienne Mofsowitz 58.17%
2nd Myron Elias and Ron Levine 57.88%

C Grade 1st Alison Norton and Mariana Culligan 53.60%
2nd Devan and Nisha Chetty 48.05%

All of these winners won cash prizes!

Although the A grade winners names will be known to you, those in the other categories are not so well known which means that anyone has a chance to win a prize in a GBU Event!

If you missed this event which was judged to be a great success in all respects please make sure you enter our next one!

As always my grateful thanks to Rob Stephens for the calm, efficient and well organised manner in which he always runs our events and the hard working Links staff who set out everything and clear it all away again. So willingly and with a smile! Also thanks to my GBU Committee namely James Grant, Bernard Donde, Tor Meyer and Jackie Solovei. We all played (with different partners!) and agreed it had been one of the best days of face to face bridge in a long time!

Report submitted by Deirdre Ingersent

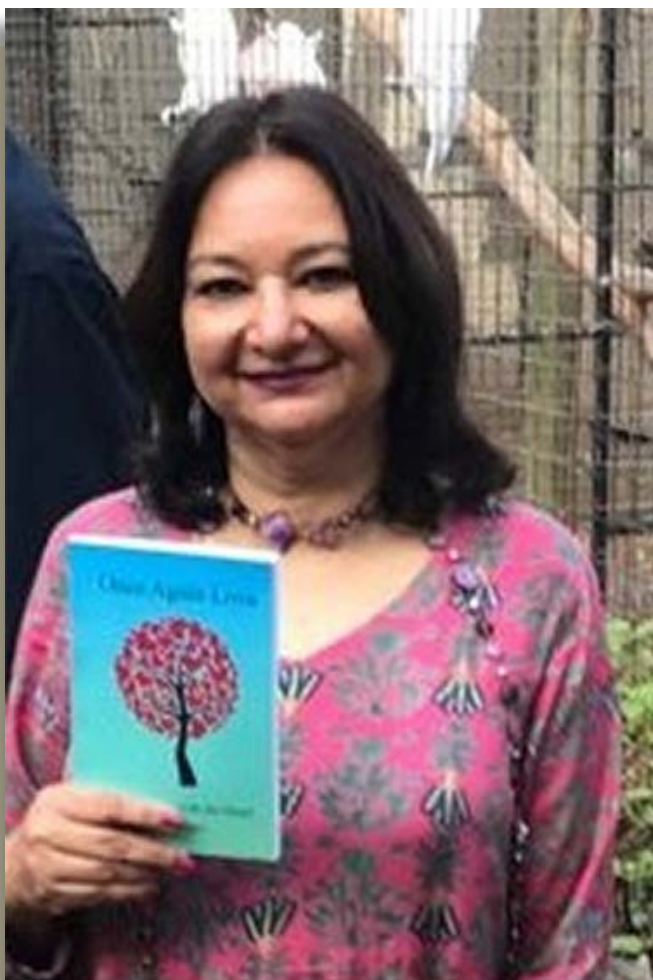


Greyville 2022

The Greyville was KZN's first major face-to-face tournament since the covid-19 pandemic. And it produced a wonderful sense of camaraderie as old friends, and some new ones, met, many for the first time in two and a half years.

Suddenly the bridge world felt complete as we realised what we had been missing for so long. Sure there's plenty of cut and thrust at the table, but there's also fellowship too. And we played catch up and enjoyed each other's company over an excellent lunch and sumptuous teas.

In the poem below, Sarita Mathur captures that feeling.



Greyville 2022

Bridge at Clarence School

More exciting than ever before.

For two years

We've waited,

Only to see it grow.

Face to Face

Is exciting,

Not Computer BBO,

Or Real Bridge.

Actually meeting is so much fun,

As without Covid fear,

People came from far and near.

Happy, cheerful faces,

strategising their

Left brain skills,

Let's get together

To support this game.

It is the game of

Bridge.

Great organisation and mental attitude,

It went off without a hitch.

Calm and friendly players,

Enjoyed the food as well,

Greyville 2022

Held in Durban

Was enjoyed by all.

South Africans can stand tall.

As they play bridge,

Face to Face

Sarita Mathur

♠♥ St Francis Bridge Club ♦♣

St Francis Bay Bridge Club hosted a teams tournament on the weekend of 11-13 November at the beautiful St Francis Bay Links Clubhouse.

The winners were the Rice team from Knysna: Vernon Rice and Gail Bezuidenhout, George Raymer(PE) and Mike Wright.

Second place were Plett team: Milli Millican and Helena Hewat, Priscilla Grantham and Jill de la Rey. The 14 teams included entrants from 6 Eastern Cape areas, as well as Plett, Knysna, Durban and Nelspruit.

It was a wonderful weekend of bridge, camaraderie and great food. Everyone commented about how much they enjoyed it!

This was the 10th such tournament held by St Francis Bay Bridge Club and the 2nd one after Covid. The venue is booked again for next May and the Club expects a good response



DIARISE

CAPE FESTIVAL of BRIDGE

- Teams & Pairs -

THE WCBU BRIDGE CENTRE

GREEN POINT • CAPE TOWN

Online entry form at www.sabf.co.za

closing date for entries is Wednesday, 14 December 2022

BE THERE !!



Entries are now open for these events which will be held from **5th to 10th February 2023**

Before entering online please read the rules for this tournament available under Rules and Regulations on the SABF website

www.sabf.co.za

The SABF Committee

One of the main reasons for holding Interclub this year as an online monitored event was to give the unions around the country who may be entering players for Trials an opportunity to test their readiness. Trials will be held next February under similar but even more stringent security conditions. But the other reason was to gather contestants together so that they could celebrate the social side of bridge.

The results of the tournament are as follows

Overall

First	JBC	N Eber, V Bloom, B Donde, H Fick, R Stephens
Second	Hillbrow	N Bateman, D Rosslee, L Chemaly, J Grant
Third	Durban DBC	D Adrain, F Chemaly, V Armstrong, M Oliff, B Thomas, R Wilson
B section	SABF	A Collingwood, H Docrat, M Holroyd, J Foaden
C section	Hermanus DBC	I Holdsworth, I Glenn, S Botha, C Verburg, T Callanan, T Tate

Sid Ismail has kindly reported some of the hands and set them out as a quiz

3 Hands from the 2022 Interclub – see how you fare.

Hand 1 – from Saturday afternoon (12th Nov)

Bd: 28	♠								
Vul: N/S	♥								Optimum
Dir: West	♦								NS -460
	♣								
♠ AK1076	N	♠ Q8					♠ Q8		
♥ AQ962	W 28 E	♥ K4				♥ K4			
♦ Q	S	♦ AJ9754				♦ AJ9754			
♣ 93		♣ QJ7				♣ QJ7			
7	♠								
15 HCP 13	♥							♣♦♥♠ N	
5	♦							N - - - - -	
	♣							S - - - - -	
								E 3 4 4 5 5	
								W 3 4 4 5 5	

We got to 4S from the West side (3NT would be easier) and North leads a small trump. S8 from dummy and South covers with the 9, taken with the 10. Now a heart to the king and a heart back to the ace. Both follow.

Since North would not have led a trump from J-x-x-x (x) you can safely assume that the major suits are breaking 4-2 or 3-3.

QUIZ: How do you guarantee the contract?

(Since this is IMPs, ignore overtricks)

Hand 2 – also Saturday

Bd: 47 Vul: N/S Dir: South	♠ K96 ♥ K6532 ♦ K5 ♣ A107	Optimum NS +500
♠ 875 ♥ 87 ♦ 108742 ♣ J54	N W 47 E S	♠ AJ1032 ♥ AQJ4 ♦ Q3 ♣ K8
13 1 HCP 17 9	♠ Q4 ♥ 109 ♦ AJ96 ♣ Q9632	♣ ♦ ♥ ♠ N N 3 1 2 - 3 S 2 1 2 - 2 E - - - 1 - W - - - 1 -

You will sit East defending 3NT. You lead the S10 (playing 0 or 2 higher) and dummy's queen wins, partner giving count with the 8 (showing 3).

Declarer now plays a club to his ace and another. You know that declarer has the HK (he opened 1H) and he has the SK too. So you switch to the neutral DQ but you get endplayed with 4 cards left, holding A-J and A-Q resp. in the majors.

Declarer made the SQ, 3Ds and 4Cs + 1 extra on the endplay to make exactly 9 tricks.

QUIZ: Declarer and you both misplayed badly! What was your mistake?

Hand 3 – Sunday morning

	♠ 8 ♥ AKJ92 ♦ Q62 ♣ 987	N Deirdre Ingersent Other table 4♥ = N																
	♠ AK976 ♥ 654 ♦ K94 ♣ Q	<table border="1"> <tr><th>W</th><th>N</th><th>E</th><th>S</th></tr> <tr><td>1♥</td><td>P</td><td>1♠</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>P</td><td>1NT</td><td>P</td><td>4♥</td></tr> <tr><td>P</td><td>P</td><td>P</td><td></td></tr> </table>	W	N	E	S	1♥	P	1♠		P	1NT	P	4♥	P	P	P	
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P	1NT	P	4♥															
P	P	P																
Helen Roberts S																		

You get to 4H also from the North side and the SJ was led, as shown.

QUIZ: How would you continue?

THE DUPLICATE PARTY NEW YEAR MIRACLE

(I am not the writer of this poem, but that person remains unknown)

North dealer

	NORTH SAKQJ1098765432	
WEST CAKQJ1098765432		EAST DAKQJ1098765432
	SOUTH HAKQJ1098765432	

West	North	East	South
	Pass	2D	2H
3H	Pass	3S	4H
7NT	Dbf	All pass	

'Twas the duplicate New Year party, and needless to say, The wine and the season had made us quite gay.
"Find your seats and shuffle" the director said, As visions of first place danced in my head.

We checked our position, I got dry in the mouth, We were assigned table one seated North/South. Just little novices, my partner and me, We'd placed fourth once before, never even three.

Had fate decided to put us to the test? For two life masters were seated East/West. We took our positions and said not a word, But I'm certain our heartbeats could surely be heard.

We shuffled the cards without blinking an eye. I dropped a card on the floor and thought I would die. As North I was dealer, and though I was green, I knew to open you must have thirteen.

I sorted my hand and counted, but alas, With only ten points I had to pass. And frankly, I thought that this was a shame, I'd never before had thirteen spades in a game.

My left hand opponent, East by name, Opened two diamonds – I thought "what a shame". My partner South was trembling with fear, Then the bid of two hearts came across to my ear.

My right hand opponent sat straight up in his chair, Three hearts was the bid he chose to declare. Now I had a good suit but alas, With no help in hearts..... I had to pass.

My left hand opponent now bid three spades, And I'm sure you can imagine how I was amazed. My partner South bid four hearts but shoot, If they take the bid I couldn't lead her suit.

My right hand opponent studied his hand, And seven no trump was his command. It was my turn to bid so just to save face, I doubled 'cause he was missing an ace!

The next three bids were pass, pass, pass, I was ready to lead a spade but alas. My partner was nervous and she lead the heart king, A lead out of turn! What a damnable thing!

The director was called. I still hear her voice, As she told the declarer he could make his own choice. With a singleton heart you must understand, This could be the only entry to his hand.

So he turned to me, and looking very smart, He said "lead what you wish but don't lead a heart". So, of course, I led my fourth best spade, I guess it was the best lead I ever made.

For with this hand I never lost the lead, And our opponents then had to sadly concede. As thirteen tricks we took off the top, When we won the board I thought I would drop.

Now I ask you with a start like this, The rest of the game..... well how could we miss? When the game was over the director asked, "Who had the thirteen spades and so cleverly passed?"

Written in 2017

For my Christmas stocking

Dear Father Christmas,
 I'm fond of oranges and really like candy,
 A new pack of cards would come in handy,
 And dear, dear Santa it would really be divine
 If our average age was 45 instead of 89
 And dear Santa, if you love me at all,
 Couldn't our national team just once win the Bermuda Bowl?
 But most of all Santa, and now comes the rub,
 Please, please, please let my team win the Interclub



Forget the oranges and I'm not that fond of candy,
 I don't need a pack of cards although that would be handy,
 Being 45 again I'm sure would be divine
 But I will be delighted to get to 89
 And dear Santa I know you have a soul,
 We're just glad to be in the Bermuda Bowl,
 But most of all Santa, even if we sub,
 Please, please, please let my team win the Interclub..... **



Written in 2018

Here's what I didn't get in my Christmas stocking

I didn't get oranges and I didn't get candy,
 I didn't get a pack of cards although that would be handy,
 But dear, dear Santa I'm feeling rather glad
 Coming second in the Interclub really wasn't bad

Written in 2019 | Plagiarise "The Walrus and the Carpenter"

In my Christmas stocking this year

"With seven spades and seven tops
 As we got into gear
 Do you suppose in Interclub
 That coming first was clear?
 I doubt it, said my partner,
 And brushed away a tear" ***



Written in 2020

And in my Christmas stocking this year



This year's Interclub was really, really bad,
Many of the players were getting rather mad,
And as the guy responsible I suppose I should feel sad

But dear, dear Santa I knew you always would
Grant me my wish as only Santa could,
Winning the Interclub felt really, really good!

Whoooopeeee!

Written in 2022

What happened to 2021?

I guess I would have written something if my team had won,
As it is I can tell you all I'm feeling rather happy
Coming 2nd in the Interclub is really not so shabby!



** with apologies to AA Milne.

*** with apologies to Lewis Carroll.

James Grant

Like treacle on a Christmas pudding news about subs next year seems to trickle down slowly to our members who will be paying them. They have been set at R200 for the year which if I recall correctly was what they were way back in 2018. The best way to pay these is through your local club who in turn will transfer these to your local union who will finally pay the SABF. Imagine if you can the treacle slowly trickling back up to the top of the Christmas pudding.....



And remember if you turned 90 years of age this year you no longer have to take part in this sticky process as your days of paying subs are over!

Hello Everyone

James has asked me to assist you all with some media design input and communication items that may help with further newsletters and posters for up-coming events. A little introduction: I reside in the winelands of outer Stellenbosch area. My studio has been running independently for over 20 years. I specialise in all types of illustration and have a solid background in corporate design and packaging. My work is linked to the commercial world of advertising and film where I am asked to visualise stage sets and scenes and render storyboards for ads. My work can be viewed on www.portfoliodedre.co.za. If I am not drawing or designing, you will find me outdoors and mostly in the ocean. My instagram @dedrefouquet showcases much of my passion and personal interest and drawing styles. I happily take on painting commissions.

Looking forward to keeping your bridge pages engaging and exciting.

Warm Regards, Dédre

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*And to get you into the spirit of all our end of year celebrations
here are some riddles for you*

What do you call the elf who walked out of Santa's workshop on Christmas day?

Who's Santa's favourite singer?

Who's the Christmas tree's favourite singer?

What do you get if you cross a snowman with a vampire?

You will find the answers to these and other philosophical questions such as the Meaning of Life further down.....

And finally, now that you have warmed up on the riddles above, you might like to enter the competition below

How do you stop rabbits digging up your garden at Christmas?

What functions do elves and fairies attend at Christmas time?

If you're first with the correct answers you might, or might not depending on whether you have paid your subs, receive a box of red wine. If Daphne wins again that might be a box of white wine.....

Answers to James at clanjgrant@gmail.com



BRIDGING THE GAP



Grade 10 and 11 Protec Learners have been learning to Play Bridge.

Kitty Phillips, a member of the South African Bridge Federation, has been introducing the card game, Bridge, to Grade 10 and 11 Protec learners.

The demographic trend of the game of bridge is toward an older and scantily diverse population.

With the backing of the South African Bridge Federation, Kojo Parris and Duncan Keet together with a number of our best South African bridge players started an initiative called “Bridging the Gap” to encourage a younger and more diverse population to play the game.

Protec Tongaat manager, Ms Marion Takis, arranged for Kitty to meet with the Grade 10 and 11 learners to introduce them to the game of Bridge. The essence of the game is to “make the most of the hand you are dealt.” Classes were arranged at the Protec premises and with the help of members of the Umhlali Bridge Club, the learners were soon enthusiastically engrossed in “winning tricks” and “making contracts”. The Umhlali Bridge club also donated a pack of cards to each learner so that they could continue practicing bridge between lessons.

We are hoping that the new term will afford more opportunities for the team to meet with their new mentees. Members of the SABF around the country are trying to promote the game of Bridge as widely as possible so that we will hopefully see a change in the demographics of bridge players in the future.



*Article for the COURIER -
A local Ballito newspaper.*

• Mampoer Tips •

James Grant

Many years ago leading bridge players were asked to contribute their favourite bridge tip to the Bols Bridge Tips and eventually they were put in book form by Sally Brock. They may have dried up now but I remember two things about them

- 1) I enjoyed those I came across though I cannot recall any of them
- 2) Nobody asked me to contribute

In fact, as far as I know nobody here in South Africa was asked to contribute. But all that is about to change because now we're about to launch our own version of the Bols tips which I have decided to call the Mampoer Tips. You are all welcome to contribute and the best will be published from time to time in future bulletins. Even the worst will be published in future bulletins as I'm thinking we'll not receive many entries but if our committee considers your entry totally worthless it will be published under **anonymous** to save you further embarrassment. I don't know about you but I'm looking forward to this and to kick things off here is the very first Mampoer tip.

When defending don't give Declarer gratuitous information which he might use against you

Here is a hand that demonstrates what I mean

Bidding				
Dealer North				
NS vul				
North	W	N	E	S
♠ 102		1NT	pass	3C(1)
♥ AQJ2	pass	3D(2)	pass	3H(3)
♦ A864	pass	3NT(4)	pass	6NT(5/6)
♣ KQ4	all pass			

- 1) Puppet asking for 4 or 5 card majors
- 2) I have at least one 4 card major, maybe two
- 3) Do you have 4 spades?
- 4) No
- 5) I should look for a minor suit fit but I can't remember how our convention works
- 6) I should look for a minor suit fit but my partner probably can't remember how our convention works

North / South have gone out of their way to reveal Declarer's distribution; the Opposition now know that North holds exactly 4 hearts and less than 4 spades and as soon as dummy goes down they each know how many hearts each other holds, which is what I'm talking about.

But back to the hand, East leads the 9 ♣ plan your play

South

♠ AQ98

♥ 54

♦ KQJ7

♣ AJ7

North

♠ 102

♥ AQJ2

♦ A864

♣ KQ4

I'm the declarer and two things cross my mind when I see the dummy

1) We should be playing in 6D which is a considerably better contract than 6NT as it needs only one of the major suit kings to be onside along with reasonable breaks in the red suits, I estimate this is about a 70% chance. Damn! We really need to learn that convention.

2) If the ♥ K is offside then I need both missing spade honours to be with East a 25% chance, but if it is onside then I only need one of these honours to be onside a 75% chance so overall I have a 50% chance of making this contract

There's no time like the present so I win the first trick in dummy with the ace and play a small heart to my queen which holds the trick West following with the 3 and East with the 8.

Now things are looking much brighter for unless East has found an amazing defence and has held up the king on the off chance I hold the jack, not an unreasonable assumption I concede, then my chances of making this contract have jumped up to 75%. I now run off four diamond tricks ending in dummy East discarding two clubs and West one club. Now another heart to the jack which holds, West contributing the 6 and East the 7. At the beginning of this match our Opposition have announced that they are playing upside down count when following suit which means that they peter with an odd number, so unless they are both false carding West started with an even number of hearts which now can only be four and East has shown three. But why are they telling each other something they both knew at trick one and letting me know into the bargain! I do this all the time as I'm sure you do, it's because we are creatures of habit.

Here's another example of what I'm talking about. Declarer is playing in a NT contract and attacks his long suit by playing the king from hand. Dummy holds the A43 in this suit and you, sitting over dummy, hold the J962. Hands up how many of you would peter with this holding to show your partner you hold an even number of cards in this suit? Your partner doesn't need to know because he will find out soon enough, Declarer, sitting with KQ10x, is silently thanking you.

But back to the hand; I am now certain of making my contract. There are only two clubs out so to ensure West cannot exit with one of these should she hold both I cash the king and queen; both opponents follow on the first round then discard spades on the second round.

We are left with this ending

South

♠ AQ98
♥ -
♦ -
♣ -

North

♠ 102
♥ A2
♦ -
♣ -

I cash the ♥A, East following with the 10 and West the king. This is a clever false card but the real false carding needed to start at trick 2. I exit with my last heart and as expected this trick is won by West who concedes the last two tricks.

Here is the full hand and as the cards lie 6NT and 7D always make on any reasonable line of play chosen by Declarer, but why let the facts get in the way of a good story!

D Board 5

N North: goldbar

West	North	East	South
	1NT	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	3NT	Pass	6NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

W West: hewey7

E East: trishc

S South: larryc777

6NT North NS 0 EW 0

Answers to Riddles:

Rebel without a Claus

Elfis Presley

Spruce Springsteen

Frostbite

And as for those philosophical questions? The answer was

42 – The Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy, Douglas Adam, or trumping that

52 - A Full Pack, James Grant

Bd: 28 Vul: N/S Dir: West	♠ 532 ♥ 10873 ♦ K106 ♣ A106	Optimum NS -460
♠ AK1076 ♥ AQ962 ♦ Q ♣ 93	N W 28 E S	♠ Q8 ♥ K4 ♦ AJ9754 ♣ QJ7
7 15 HCP 13 5	♠ J94 ♥ J5 ♦ 832 ♣ K8542	♣♦♥♠ N N - - - - S - - - - E 3 4 4 5 5 W 3 4 4 5 5

Hand 1.

You can guarantee the contract by ruffing a third heart with the queen.

Now DA and a diamond ruff, SA-SK and play on hearts. They can ruff when they wish (if 4-2 S) and you lose two clubs.

But since trumps were 3-3, you will chalk up +450 for a wash. Nice play.

Bd: 47 Vul: N/S Dir: South	♠ K96 ♥ K6532 ♦ K5 ♣ A107	Optimum NS +500
♠ 875 ♥ 87 ♦ 108742 ♣ J54	N W 47 E S	♠ AJ1032 ♥ AQJ4 ♦ Q3 ♣ K8
13 1 HCP 17 9	♠ Q4 ♥ 109 ♦ AJ96 ♣ Q9632	♣♦♥♠ N N 3 1 2 - 3 S 2 1 2 - 2 E - - - 1 - W - - - 1 -

Hand 2.

You (East) led the S10 against 3NT. Declarer won the SQ in dummy and promptly played the CA and another to throw you in.

MISTAKES

- To make the contract, declarer **must insert the C10** not take the ace!
- To beat 3NT, **throw the CK under the ace** at trick 2! Now partner will get in with his lone point to fire back a spade.

Bd 37, Dir N 4♥-1 N	♠ 8 ♥ AKJ92 ♦ Q62 ♣ 987	N Deirdre Ingersent Other table 4♥ = N
W Mauroon Narunsky	♠ 105 ♥ 1073 ♦ 107 ♣ AKJ103	E Shirley Kaminor
1 0	♠ AK976 ♥ 654 ♦ K94 ♣ Q	♠ 4 ♥ Q8 ♦ AJ853 ♣ 6542
Helen Roberts S		W N E S 1♥ P 1♠ P 1NT P 4♥ P P P

Hand 3.

Play HA-HK then revert to spades. If spades were 4-1, then you need the DA onside as you will require an extra entry to dummy with the DK.

As it happens, the HQ drops! All you will lose now is the DA. Easy game, eh?

In the other room, Tim Cope received a club lead to the king, and a trump switch – finessed – and lost, then the defenders cashed their DA. That was that and + 620 within 5 min. Swing was 620 + 100 = 720 = 12 IMPs.



ACHIEVEMENTS BOARD

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