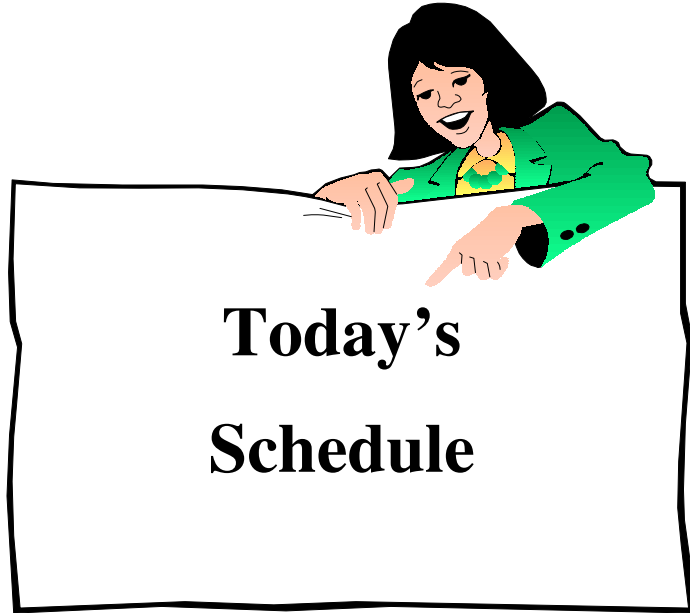




Bridge Over Niagara



Welcome to Day 5 of Bridge Week 2004!



Today's Schedule

CNTC-A Quarter-Finals

Hospitality Room breakfast	9:30 – 11:00 a.m.
Quarter-Finals Boards 1-16	11:30 – 1:50 p.m.
Quarter-Finals Boards 17-32	2:00 – 4:20 p.m.
Break	4:20 – 6:30 p.m.
Quarter-Finals Boards 33-48	6:30 – 8:50 p.m.
Quarter-Finals Boards 49-64	9:00 – 11:20 p.m.
Hospitality Room opens	11:00 p.m.

Quarter-Final Match-Ups

19 Fergani	versus	11 Pocock
13 Gartaganis	versus	8 Jotcham
2 Willis	versus	6 Fraser
10 Senensky	versus	7 Oddy

CNTC-B Semi-Finals

Hospitality Room breakfast	9:30 – 11:00 a.m.
Semi-Finals Boards 1-16	11:30 – 1:50 p.m.
Semi-Finals Boards 17-32	2:00 – 4:20 p.m.
Break	4:20 – 6:30 p.m.
Semi-Finals Boards 33-48	6:30 – 8:50 p.m.
Semi-Finals Boards 49-64	9:00 – 11:20 p.m.
Hospitality Room opens	11:00 p.m.

Semi-Final Match-Ups

48 Custead	versus	49 Martineau
45 Tharayil	versus	46 Priebe

CWTC Semi-Finals

Hospitality Room breakfast	9:30 – 11:00 a.m.
Semi-Finals Boards 1-16	11:30 – 1:50 p.m.
Semi-Finals Boards 17-32	2:00 – 4:20 p.m.
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Semi-Final Match-Ups

29 Gordon	versus	32 Colter
31 Demme	versus	23 Wynston

Senior Teams - Important Reminder

For those teams eliminated from the CNTC-A Quarter-Finals and pre-registered for the Senior Teams, you must advise the DIC, Henry Cukoff, of your intent to play no later than 11:50 p.m. tonight.



CSTC

Hospitality Room breakfast	9:30 – 11:00 a.m.
Session 1	1:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Break	5:00 – 7:00 p.m.
Session 2	7:00 – 11:00 p.m.
Hospitality Room opens	11:00 p.m.

The exact format of the first day of play in the CSTC will depend upon the number of teams that enter. It may be a Round Robin or it may be a Swiss movement. Approximately 64 boards will be played.

Entry fee for the CSTC is \$200 per team per day. Approximately one-half of the teams will be eliminated the first day, Wednesday. At the end of

the second day (Thursday) the field will be reduced to four teams. These four teams will play Semi-Final matches on Friday afternoon and the winners will play in the Finals on Friday evening. Again, this format may be changed slightly depending upon the number of teams that enter.

Hospitality Room

The Hospitality Room (Niagara Rooms A and B) will be open each morning for breakfast (coffee, juice, fruit and muffins) from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. It will be open each evening for post-game hospitality and snacks from 11:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Tonight's menu is home-made sandwiches courtesy of volunteers from the local bridge community.

Round Robin Results – CNTC-B Tuesday

The day 3 results from the CNTC-B Round Robin are in! Yesterday each team in the CNTC-B played three more 22 board matches for a total of 198 boards. Details of the team match-ups can be found in your Program. Victory Points that each team accumulated in the Round Robin are given below. Congratulations to the four teams that made in into the Semi-Finals, which begin today at 11:30 a.m.

CNTC-B Results – All Nine Matches – Through Tuesday

Team No. & Name	Round Robin Match Number									Total	Rank
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
41 Lachance	9	25	25	16	16	19	7	12	20	149	5
42 Melzak	21	14	12	23	14	20	6	10	13	133	7
43 Upenieks	0	4	3	10	12	10	7	7	22	75	10
44 Brader	12	16	5	4	4	8	23	14	3	89	9
45 Tharayil	15	16	25	14	10	18	24	16	14	152	3 (Q)
46 Priebe	22	8	18	25	14	10	17	23	16	153	2 (Q)
47 Chan	8	8	25	20	20	11	11	20	25	148	6
48 Custead	15	22	15	7	25	20	23	23	8	158	1 (Q)
49 Martineau	18	22	15	10	18	12	19	18	17	149	4 (Q)
50 Thompson	25	14	5	20	16	22	13	7	10	132	8
Totals	145	149	148	149	149	150	150	150	148	1338	

Note: Tie between Teams 41 and 49 broken on the basis of number of matches won.



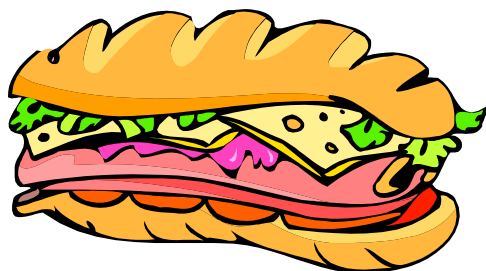
Round Robin Results – CNTC-A Tuesday

Results from the fourth and final day of play in the CNTC-A Round Robins are in! Yesterday each team in the CNTC-A played five more 14 board matches for a grand total of 266 boards. Details of the team match-ups can be found in your Program. Victory Points that each team has accumulated in the Round Robin are given below. Congratulations to the 8 teams that made it into the Quarter-Finals, which begin today at 11:30 a.m.

CNTC-A Results – All Nineteen Matches – Through Tuesday

Team No. & Name	Round Robin Match Number																			Total	Rank
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19		
1 McAvoy	20	14	18	12	16	4	10	10	14	21	9	11	6	13	6	17	19	11	11	242	19
2 Willis	10	9	20	13	21	25	25	14	10	13	15	25	18	21	19	15	17	25	9	324	3 (Q)
3 Anderson	19	16	23	22	9	23	12	16	15	16	15	8	16	14	18	7	13	3	10	275	13-14
4 Sinno	18	21	12	9	8	17	22	15	5	19	13	22	12	10	14	16	18	8	8	267	15
5 Carruthers	14	12	7	18	12	18	20	18	13	19	16	0	16	18	3	11	20	21	19	275	13-14
6 Fraser	16	12	10	21	14	24	11	18	20	20	3	14	14	12	20	19	22	5	25	300	6 (Q)
7 Oddy	19	15	25	8	18	25	16	10	12	21	17	17	12	20	10	15	14	13	22	309	5 (Q)
8 Jotcham	18	15	14	17	22	6	20	15	20	17	21	14	17	16	25	15	11	7	4	294	7 (Q)
9 Todd	25	15	5	14	21	12	14	20	12	18	19	14	16	9	16	11	19	9	8	277	11
10 Senensky	15	22	13	16	9	13	19	15	16	18	21	14	20	23	12	19	16	21	12	314	4 (Q)
11 Pocock	25	18	24	15	11	7	10	20	18	9	17	17	16	9	11	14	8	23	18	290	8 (Q)
12 Alexander	4	23	10	0	10	2	8	12	10	12	21	12	13	22	18	23	10	17	22	249	18
13 Gartaganis	15	7	25	23	17	18	18	12	18	12	13	19	16	20	15	15	12	25	25	325	2 (Q)
14 Tranquille	5	12	4	20	13	7	5	15	10	13	9	18	24	18	11	9	17	9	8	227	20
15 Thurston	12	8	20	10	9	16	19	14	17	9	11	13	14	17	21	15	13	22	2	262	17
16 Ross	11	15	6	7	21	12	2	16	25	10	9	16	17	12	24	18	21	25	11	278	10
17 Duquette	14	15	17	25	17	18	19	11	15	11	13	16	14	10	9	13	16	1	22	276	12
18 Bart	16	15	25	15	13	14	11	3	20	11	25	16	10	8	19	12	11	21	20	285	9
19 Fergani	12	18	16	14	20	23	25	25	17	14	14	13	14	21	15	15	14	19	21	330	1 (Q)
20 Janicki	11	18	4	16	19	12	11	19	13	17	17	16	13	7	12	21	9	9	19	263	16
Totals	299	300	298	295	300	296	297	298	300	300	298	295	298	300	298	300	300	294	296	5662	5662

* Teams 4 and 5 were each penalized 1 VP in Round 13. This is why the Total is 298 instead of the expected value of 300.



Be sure to try the homemade sandwiches tonight in the Hospitality Room, courtesy of NOC members and volunteers from The Bridge Centre of Niagara! Your favourite beverages will also be available courtesy of Sudds Brewery and Andres Wines.
Hours - 11:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Round Robin Results – CWTC Tuesday

The day 3 results from the CWTC Round Robin are in! Yesterday each team in the CWTC played four more 14 board matches for a total of 168 boards. Details of the team match-ups can be found in your Program. Victory Points that each team has accumulated in the Round Robin are given below. Congratulations to the four teams that made it into the semi-finals.

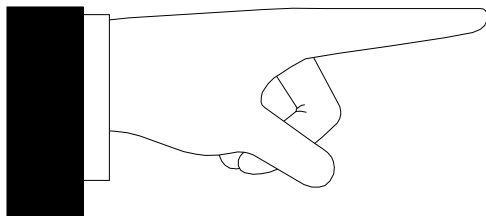
CWTC Results – All Thirteen Matches – Through Tuesday

Note: Shaded cells indicate a Bye.

Team No. & Name	Round Robin Match Number													Total	Rank
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13		
21 Dundas	11	14	18	14	14	15	24	2	12	2	17	16	15	174	10
22 Arthur	19	19	11	15	9	13	15	14	16	13	5	21	5	175	9
23 Wynston	15	16	24	18	15	10	8	16	25	18	23	21	8	217	4 (Q)
24 Reger	14	11	12	8	14	13	3	15	5	14	12	9	13	143	13
25 Rewbotham	11	15	6	16	19	15	19	16	14	16	12	23	13	195	7
26 Paulson	8	21	19	22	16	15	16	22	15	12	18	25	8	217	5
27 Belford	21	5	15	12	11	15	9	10	17	17	18	4	13	167	11
28 St. Amant	12	6	13	15	16	15	6	14	17	15	7	7	17	160	12
29 Gordon	18	18	16	15	15	15	21	25	15	18	25	21	22	244	1 (Q)
30 Galler	9	12	5	7	21	17	14	16	18	16	15	9	17	176	8
31 Demme	22	24	25	11	15	20	11	20	15	25	17	9	17	231	2 (Q)
32 Colter	19	25	14	19	16	17	25	8	13	14	13	15	22	220	3 (Q)
33 Connell	16	9	17	23	14	15	22	14	13	12	13	14	25	207	6
Totals	195	195	195	195	195	195	193	192	195	192	195	194	195	2526	

Note: Tie between Teams 23 and 26 broken on basis of match played together.

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Thanks to **Sudb's Brewery & Andres Wines** for generously supporting **Bridge Week 2004** with their contributions of liquid refreshments!



Interesting Hands

Board 9, CNTC-A II, Saturday evening
Dealer N E-W Vulnerable

North			
♣ 6 3			
! K 10 5 3			
♥ K Q 8 6			
• K 9 7			
West		East	
♣ 7 2		♣ A Q 9 5 4	
! A J 8 6		! Q 4 2	
♥ A 10 9 4 2		♥ J 7	
• 4 3		• A Q J	
South			
♣ K J 10 8			
! 9 7			
♥ 5 3			
• 10 8 6 5 2			

The bidding:

N	E	S	W
Pass	1 NT	Pass	2 C
Pass	3S ⁽¹⁾	Pass	3 NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

(1) Maximum with 5S and 3H.

You as South decide that, based on the bidding, a club lead is called for. Do you lead the 8 (indicating top of nothing), or the 6, 5 or 2 (third, fourth or fifth best, according to partnership agreement)? At the table where a low club was led, partner played the K at trick one and later was eager to establish the suit by returning it each time he got on lead, even to the hurried extent of ignoring the standard defensive play of ducking with the diamond honours when the J was lead at trick two – 3NT made!

At the other table where a low club was also led, N-S were playing Smith Echo and when South played the diamond 3 (or the 5 playing reverse Smith Echo – hope partner is watching the spots! – Ed.), North made the obvious spade switch. It was still necessary for North to play low on the diamond J to prevent declarer from establishing the diamonds and being

able to run them. North also had to duck the heart Q when it was led to prevent the J from becoming an entry to the diamonds.

Congratulations to all the North players who defeated 3NT by ducking the diamond J, the heart Q and switching to a spade. At least one of them was Steve Brown of Ottawa. It was his opponent George Retek who brought this hand to our attention and complimented Steve on his fine defensive play.

Board 29, CNTC-A, Sunday afternoon
Dealer N Both Vulnerable

North			
♣ K J 10 8 2			
! K 4			
♥ K Q 10 9 6			
• A			
West		East	
♣ 7 3		♣ Q 9 6 5 4	
! Q 10 9 7 2		! A 6 5 3	
♥ A 5 3		♥ 8	
• 10 7 5		• Q 9 6	
South			
♣ A			
! J 8			
♥ J 7 4 2			
• K J 8 4 3 2			

At the table where Zyg Marcinski and Ron Carriere were N-S and Doug Fraser and Mike Gamble were E-W, the bidding proceeded as follows:

N	E	S	W
1C ⁽¹⁾	Dbl ⁽²⁾	2D ⁽³⁾	Dbl ⁽⁴⁾
Pass ⁽⁵⁾	Pass ⁽⁶⁾	Rdbl ⁽⁷⁾	Pass
Pass ⁽⁸⁾	2H ⁽⁹⁾	Pass	2NT ⁽¹⁰⁾
Pass ⁽¹¹⁾	Pass ⁽¹²⁾	3C ⁽¹³⁾	Pass ⁽¹⁴⁾
3D ⁽¹⁵⁾	Pass ⁽¹⁶⁾	3S ⁽¹⁷⁾	Pass
3NT ⁽¹⁸⁾	Pas	Pass	Pass

- (1) Strong club
- (2) Shows diamonds or both majors
- (3) Positive with 5 or more clubs (Polish transfer?)
- (4) Penalty if partner has diamonds
- (5) Hope partner figures this out!
- (6) Hope opponents think I have diamonds and partner does not



- (7) Shows second 4-card suit
- (8) Hope partner's second suit is the other major!
- (9) Time to panic!
- (10) Partner has not yet been punished enough
- (11) Let's wait and see what partner does
- (12) What the %#@%* is 2NT?
- (13) Opponents up to something
- (14) I guess partner has been reduced to mush
- (15) Hoping for a better spot
- (16) What happened? How did we escape?
- (17) Spade value
- (18) Not sure what has just happened, but this looks a good spot

(I'll bet this bidding wasn't duplicated at any of the other tables! – Ed.)

Next problem for East – What is your lead? Doug was so relieved that he had escaped that he did not think the lead over properly. He says that he should have known from partner's bidding that something was up.

Did you other Easts lead a heart? Doug says that it is the proper lead and the only lead that defeats 3NT. With any other lead, declarer can always make 3NT as long as he (or she – the same hand was played simultaneously in the CWTC - Ed.) guesses correctly when West gets in with the diamond A and switches to a heart.

Board 2, CNTC VI & CWTC IV, Monday afternoon
Dealer E N-S Vulnerable

<p style="text-align: center;">North</p> <p>♣ J 10 9 7 3</p> <p>! A 10</p> <p>♥ Q 10 7</p> <p>• J 8 2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">East</p> <p>♣ A 8 6 5</p> <p>! J 3 2</p> <p>♥ A K 8 4</p> <p>• 7 6</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">West</p> <p>♣ K 2</p> <p>! K Q 8 7 5</p> <p>♥ J 9 2</p> <p>• A K Q</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">South</p> <p>♣ Q 4</p> <p>! 9 6 4</p> <p>♥ 6 5 3</p> <p>• 10 9 5 4 3</p>

The bidding:

N	E	S	W
	1D	Pass	2H
Pass	3H	Pass	4C
Pass	4D	Pass	4H
Pass	4NT ⁽¹⁾	Pass	6H ⁽²⁾
Pas	Pass	Pass	

- (1) E-W were playing kickback so 4NT was a cuebid of the spade A. (4S would have been ace asking)
- (2) A slight overbid. Holding the red suit tens would have justified this bid.

North led the spade J. Declarer drove out the A of trumps and won the spade return. He drew the last trump. It looked like north started with 5 spades and 6 cards in the minors. If he holds the diamond Q, he can be squeezed in the pointed suits when the rounded suits are played out. Since there are 14 minor suit cards outstanding, the probability that he holds the diamond Q is less than 50%, i.e. 6 in 14. However, the only other possibility to make the hand, the double finesse in diamonds, is a 25% probability. (We said it was a poor slam.) Therefore declarer's best shot at making the hand is to play for the squeeze. But wouldn't you know it, both plays work! Did you make 6 when you declared this hand?

Update & Correction re Mrs. Krnjevic

In Issue 3 of the Daily Bulletin we reported that Nick Krnjevic would not be attending Bridge Week as his wife was "extremely ill". Nick has advised us that this was "a bit of an overbid". It would be more accurate to say that although her condition is as-of-yet undetermined, she is recovering well from surgery and the family is optimistic. To friends and acquaintances who read the bulletin and mistakenly thought she had taken a turn for the worse, we are pleased to report that this is not the case.



Bridge Week Raffle

Don't forget to support Bridge Week by entering our raffle. The draw for \$1,000 (first prize), \$500 (second prize) and \$200 (third prize) will be held between 8:30 and 8:45 p.m. in the playing area on Thursday June 24. You do not have to be present to win.



Tickets are \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00. Available at the Hospitality Services Desk 1 hour before game time and in the Hospitality Room after the game.

CBF Annual General Meeting

Saturday, June 26, 2004 at 9:00 a.m.

Quality Hotel - Parkway Convention Centre - Ontario
Room B

Please attend this meeting.

Coffee, Juice, Muffins, Danish & Croissants will be served.

To encourage you to attend this meeting, the Hospitality Room will **NOT** be open for breakfast this day.

The Playing Area – Day 4

Bridge Week Directors:
Eric Platt, Henry Cukoff and Patti Lee



The CWTC



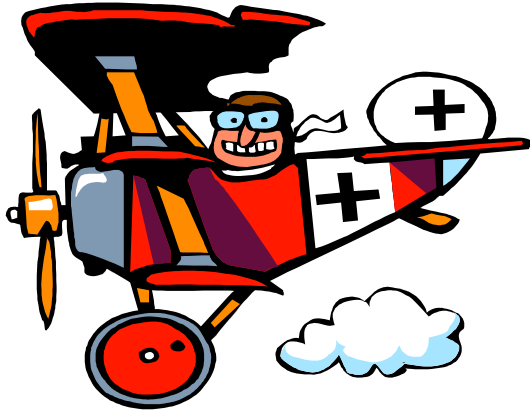
The CNTC-A



Going Home?

Hamilton Airport

See our transportation chairman Ernie Sibbett at least one day prior to departure day to book your ground transportation to the Hamilton airport.



Other Destinations

Be sure to arrange your transportation from the hotel to the airport at least one day prior to departure date. You can check departure times online from the hotel lobby computer. Call 5-0 Taxi Airport Service at 905-685-5464.



Restaurant of the Day

Mas que pan

A restaurant that you have to try before you leave town. An appetizer selection that will cater to everyone's taste, a fine wine selection, and a lunch and dinner menu that won't hurt the pocket book. A must for all those who like the Bistro-Mediterranean atmosphere.



Please let them know that you are a bridge player. Seven minutes by cab at the corner of King & Queen Streets in downtown St. Catharines. Lots of free parking after 5:00 for those with cars. Reservations suggested for Friday night.

Sample Appetizer Menu

Tiger Shrimp baked with cheese and garlic butter:	\$3.75
Sautéed Mushrooms with garlic and lemon butter	\$1.95
Thai Scallops grilled with spicy curry sauce on a skewer	\$3.95

Please see the menu in the main lobby for additional selections

