



# Bloomington-Normal Bridge Newsletter

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## August events:



**Gayl West Duplicate games at the First Christian Church located at Jefferson and Lee streets near downtown Bloomington starting at 11:45AM:**

**August 6 – open pairs    August 13 – open pairs    August 20 – open pairs**

**August 27 – NAP qualifier open pairs**

**Contact Laura Addison at 309-829-4273 for information or to arrange for a partner.**

**Mike's Bridge Club schedule:**

**Thursday, August 2, open pairs(11:45AM), 99ers only pairs(12:15PM), pupils only(12:30PM) – Crossroads**

**Saturday, August 4, open pairs(11:45AM) & pupils only(12:30PM) – Westminster**

**Monday, August 6, pupils only(7:00PM) & 99ers only(6:15PM) – Heartland**

**Tuesday, August 7, 6:15PM – open teams – Heartland**

**Thursday, August 9, open pairs(11:45AM), 99ers only pairs(12:15PM), pupils only(12:30PM) – Crossroads**

**Saturday, August 11, open pairs(11:45AM) & pupils only(12:30PM) – Westminster**

**Monday, August 13, pupils only(7:00PM) & 99ers only(6:15PM) – Heartland**

**Tuesday, August 14, 6:15PM – Lombard charity CC open teams – Heartland**

**Thursday, August 16, Lombard charity CC open pairs(11:45AM), 99ers only pairs(12:15PM), pupils only(12:30PM) – Crossroads**

**Saturday, August 18, Lombard charity CC open pairs(11:45AM) & pupils only(12:30PM) – Westminster**

**Monday, August 20, pupils only(7:00PM) & 99ers only pairs(6:15PM) – Heartland**

**Tuesday, August 21, 6:15PM – open teams – Heartland**

**Thursday, August 23, open pairs(11:45AM), 99ers only pairs(12:15PM), pupils only(12:30PM) – Crossroads**

**Saturday, August 25, NAP qualifier open pairs(11:45AM) & pupils only(12:30PM) – Westminster**

**Monday, August 27, pupils only(7:00PM) & 99ers only(6:15PM) – Heartland**

**Tuesday, August 28, 6:15PM – open teams – Heartland**

**Thursday, August 30, NAP qualifier open pairs(11:45AM), 99ers only pairs(12:15PM), pupils only(12:30PM) – Crossroads**

**Contact Mike Tomlianovich at 309-825-5823 for information or to arrange for a partner.**

**All games sanctioned by the American Contract Bridge League.**

## **Bridge players supporting other bridge players:**

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**If you know of anybody who would like to attend a beginner or intermediate class or if your social bridge group would like a topic-focused seminar, please contact accredited bridge teacher Mike Tomlianovich. Each class consists of 24 hours of instruction and practice at a cost of tuition plus \$15 for a textbook. 1-2 hour seminars on a variety of bridge topics are available for a donation. Contact Mike at 309-825-5823 for details.**

**Public service announcement:**

**OSF St Joseph Medical Center is in need of volunteers to help staff the gift shop, reception desk, or patient transport. Please contact OSF's volunteer coordinator by phone at 309-662-3311 extension 1118 to discuss where you can help. Thank you!**



## The Bloomington-Normal "Top 25" Masterpoint holders

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- 1 2,735.14 Betty Capodice
- 2 2,503.57 Laura Addison
- 3 2,024.75 Gail Moon
- 4 1,816.68 Steve Babin
- 5 1,508.88 Mike Tomlianovich
- 6 951.91 Ivey Weaver
- 7 927.88 Steve Hawthorne
- 8 914.91 Hank Hoffman
- 9 908.60 Jeanne Strand
- 10 855.30 Eunice Patton
- 11 850.12 Jim Moon
- 12 845.47 Zack Freehill
- 13 703.62 Stan Gutzman
- 14 702.94 Glen Beaman
- 15 679.83 Don Strand
- 16 669.39 Henrietta Crain
- 17 634.92 Jean Barnett
- 18 570.92 Martin Compton
- 19 529.78 Sam Katz
- 20 527.26 Ruth Wettaw
- 21 499.19 Ann Farnsworth
- 22 468.68 Charlie Morton
- 23 449.06 Carole Bardwell
- 24 429.52 Bob Smith
- 25 413.07 Randall Motchan

### Other players:

- 11,931.16 Dick Benson-LeRoy
- 9,269.62 Chris Benson-LeRoy
- 3,876.32 Norinne Nelson
- 3,529.57 Phyllis Rahn-Dunlap
- 2,763.43 Alan Wienman-Morton
- 2,458.10 Leonard Kaufman-Peoria
- 2,382.84 Ron Sholes-Springfield
- 2,231.43 Dick Nelson
- 2,135.37 Georgia Heth-Morton
- 1,947.38 Kish Devaraj
- 1,922.25 Pat Carrington-Champaign
- 1,872.33 Liz Zalar-Springfield
- 1,752.27 Chuck Zalar-Springfield
- 1,646.79 Joanne Glazebrook-Washington
- 1,645.97 Ray Russ-Henry
- 1,614.20 Carole Sholes-Springfield
- 1,398.03 Leah Newell- Springfield
- 1,299.97 Paul Lindauer-Varna
- 1,267.16 Terry Goodykoontz-Champaign
- 1,199.95 John Burdon-Washington
- 1,190.32 Margaret Hansell-Champaign
- 1,149.52 Bobbie Straker-Pekin
- 1,114.55 Marilyn Stickel-Laon
- 1,097.13 Tim Cull-Springfield
- 920.58 Dewey Gronau-Farmer City
- 914.69 Dennis Fitton-Sidney
- 780.34 Jack Kessler
- 753.70 Donna Kaufman-Peoria
- 745.14 Floyd Sherry-Eureka
- 715.47 John Brandeberry-Champaign
- 681.26 Adrian Hutber
- 639.43 Bev Fast-Peoria
- 608.43 Eunice Viktor-Morton
- 587.96 Phil Kenney-Eureka
- 578.00 Marilyn Toubeaux-Peoria
- 457.97 Bill Carley-Peoria

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#1

Some players find it difficult to count an opponent's high card points. Here is a hand where it was essential.

Scoring: Matchpoints (Pairs)

	S 83				
Dlr E	H J9832				
Vul N/	D KJ4				
S	C QJ6				
S 1097542	S KQJ	West	North	East	South
H 6	HA10			1NT	DBL
D 106	D Q8753	2H*	DBL	2S	4H
C 8743	C K109	All			
	S A6	Pass			
	H KQ75				
	H 4				
	D A92				
	C A52				

\*Transfer

**BIDDING:** East opened 1NT showing a range of 15-17 HCP. South made a penalty double and poor West transferred to his weak but long spade suit. North doubled the transfer bid to show hearts along with some values. South quickly jumped to game.

**PLAY:** West led the ten of spades and declarer saw he had a possible loser in each suit. He could succeed if the diamond finesse would work but some quick math told him that East needed every missing honor card to reach a 1NT opener. South realized he might be able to end-play East so the first spade was ducked and the ace won the second round. Next declarer led the king of hearts won by East who returned a heart to dummy's jack. Now the queen of clubs was led and if East ducked, the ace and another club would force East to win and return a diamond. (Or, declarer could play three rounds of diamonds to force East to lead a club away from his king.) But, East covered the queen of clubs and declarer won the ace and played the jack and a third club. Unfortunately for East, he was forced to win and return a diamond so declarer made his contract. If East held only the ten he would have discarded it on the club jack to avoid being thrown into the lead.

Those declarers who forgot the bidding or wouldn't count to 15 simply took the diamond finesse and went down.

#2

As declarer it's important to eliminate or at least reduce the number of guesses you have to make. Here is a hand where you can do just that.

Scoring: Matchpoints (Pairs)

	S 1098				
	H Q983				
Dir E	D K4				
Vul E/W	C K106				
	3	West	North	East	South
S KJ	S 654			Pass	1S
H J62	H A1075	Pass	2S	Pass	Pass
D AJ876	D Q1053	3D	3S	All	
C 95	C QJ4			Pass	
	S AQ732				
	H K4				
	D 92				
	C A872				

**BIDDING:** As the auction was about to stop at 2S, West balanced with 3D. North now liked the location of his diamond king and raised to 3S to end the auction.

**PLAY:** With no attractive lead, West finally selected the nine of clubs. Assuming the diamond ace to be on his left, declarer could count a loser in each of the three side suits so he had to hold his spades losers to one. It was likely the spade king was with West but not a certainty. The first trick went to the ten, jack, and ace. Next, declarer made the key play of the ace of spades from his hand and was rewarded with the jack from the West hand. Declarer now conceded a spade to the king and made his contract. If West had played a small card instead of the jack, declarer would have gone to dummy with a diamond, led a spade from dummy, and then guessed how to play the spade suit. You could, of course, always find the winning play but cashing the ace before leading toward your hand often eliminates a guess.

Unless the KJ was doubleton on your right, you must always lose one trick in the spade suit and the problem was to make sure you didn't lose more. This type of play occurs frequently so be on the lookout for it.

#3

To be successful you must listen to the bidding. Here is a hand where many failed when the contract was ice-cold.

**Scoring: Matchpoints (Pairs)**

Hand #52	<b>S 10985</b>				
Dlr	<b>E</b>				
Vul	<b>N/S</b>				
	<b>C J1062</b>				
		West	North	East	South
<b>S 3</b>	<b>S 2</b>			<b>Pass</b>	<b>2C</b>
<b>HKQ105</b>	<b>H987432</b>	<b>2D</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>2S</b>
<b>DAQ1074</b>	<b>D 96</b>	<b>3H</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>4S</b>
<b>CAQ7</b>	<b>C 9843</b>	<b>DBL</b>	<b>All</b>		
	<b>S AKQJ76</b>		<b>Pass</b>		
	<b>4</b>				
	<b>H A</b>				
	<b>D KJ8</b>				
	<b>C K5</b>				

**BIDDING:** South held a monster hand but apparently West didn't believe him. East had a lot of hearts but no values and poor North was just along for the ride. West was soon going to regret his double.

**PLAY:** West led the king of hearts to South's ace. From the auction, declarer realized that West probably held every outstanding honor card and this showed him a way to succeed. He led a low spade to dummy and trumped a heart to his hand. Next, he led the king of clubs and West was in trouble. Finally, after winning the ace of clubs, West continued with the queen and another club and declarer had ten tricks. Note it doesn't matter what West does, he is completely end-played. Those declarers who tried finessing East for some of the honors were soon defeated.

Please note that declarer must not lead the jack or ten of clubs from dummy. He needs to establish both of those cards for later diamond discards. Also note that East-West can make 4H. Isn't this a great game?

#4

A good declarer looks at all of his options before deciding upon the best line of play. And, when it's a matchpoint event, overtricks are especially important. Take a look.

Scoring: Matchpoints (Pairs)

		<b>S J9843</b>							
		<b>H K62</b>							
Dlr	E	<b>D KQ10</b>							
	N/	<b>6</b>							
Vul	S	<b>C 10</b>							
			West	North	East	South			
<b>S K65</b>		<b>S 72</b>			<b>Pass</b>	<b>2C</b>			
<b>H J10</b>		<b>H 987543</b>							
<b>D J9753</b>		<b>D 8</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>2H*</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>4NT</b>			
<b>C 765</b>		<b>C 9842</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>6NT</b>	<b>All</b>				
					<b>Pass</b>				
		<b>S AQ10</b>							
		<b>H AQ</b>							
		<b>D A42</b>							
		<b>C AKQJ</b>							
		<b>3</b>							

\*Controls: Either one ace or two kings

**BIDDING:** South held a huge hand and as soon as he discovered his partner held two kings, he knew slam was likely. His rebid of 4NT showed 25-26 HCP and it was a simple matter for North to do the math and bid the slam.

**PLAY:** West led the jack of hearts and declarer quickly counted twelve tricks: one spade, three hearts, three diamonds, and five clubs. This was a matchpoint (pairs) event so now it became a question of making the overtrick. South saw he could either take the spade finesse or first see if the diamond suit was going to be polite. He won the heart lead in his hand with the queen and then played the ace to unblock the suit. Next it was a diamond to dummy's king and a low one back to his ace. When East showed out on the second round, the subsequent diamond finesse gave him all thirteen tricks.

Those pairs who ended in a spade slam were forced to take the losing spade finesse but what was surprising was the number of pairs in 6NT who also tried the finesse. I guess it was just too tempting to refuse. Finesses should be the last resort, not the first.



# July results:

## Gayl West Duplicate – July 2 – 9 tables:

### North-South:

- 1st. (58.56%) Joanne Glazebrook-Washington & Hank Hoffman-Bloomington
- 2nd. (54.17%) Eunice Viktor-Morton & Charlie Morton-Bloomington
- 3rd. (53.01%) Ann & Art Adams - Bloomington
- 4th. (51.62%) Jan Rolfs-Bloomington & Bev meginnnes-Towanda

### East-West:

- 1st. (55.79%) Bobbie Straker-Pekin & Steve Babin-Normal
- 2nd. (54.17%) Fran Morton-Bloomington & Peg Deutsch-Bloomington
- 3rd. (51.39%) Zack Freehill-Bloomington & Steve Hawthorne-Bloomington  
Phil Kenney-Eureka & Flotd Sherry-Eureka
- 5th. (50.00%) Mary & John Cralley - Normal

## Mike's Monday evening 99ers only teams – July 2 – 4 tables:

- 1st. (66.67%) Stevie & Roger Joslin - Bloomington
- 2nd. (58.73%) Patty & Rodger Paul - Bloomington
- 3rd. (54.76%) Mary Hayden-Bloomington & Wendy Anderson-Bloomington

## Mike's Tuesday evening open teams – July 3 – 5 teams:

- 1st. Chris & Kirk Biggs-Bloomington, Bret Van Fleet-Bloomington, Steve Hawthorne-Bloomington
- 2-3. Bev Upp-Bloomington, Henrietta Crain-Normal, Charlie Morton-Bloomington, Glen Beaman-Bloomington  
Ruth Wettaw-Bloomington, Laura Addison-Bloomington,  
Betty Capodice-Bloomington, Jim Moon-Bloomington

## Mike's Thursday open pairs – July 5 – 6 1/2 tables:

- 1st. (64.17%) Mike Tomlianovich-Bloomington & Steve Babin-Normal
- 2nd. (59.17%) Joann Rouse-Bloomington & Henrietta Crain-Normal
- 3rd. (55.19%) Eunice Viktor-Morton & Zack Freehill-Bloomington
- 4th. (52.92%) Ramesh Chaudhuri-Normal & Dennis Moll-Bloomington
- 5th. (52.08%) Stan Gutzman-Normal & Hank Hoffman-Bloomington
- 6th. (51.25%) Dewey Gronau-Farmer City & Bill Carley-Peoria
- 7-8. (50.00%) Bev Upp-Bloomington & Ann Schuyler-Bloomington  
Betty Capodice-Bloomington & Steve Hawthorne-Bloomington

## Twin City (Bloomington-Normal-Downs) Summer Sectional Bridge Tournament

Tri-Valley Middle School, Downs, IL, - July 6-8, 2007

Friday afternoon stratified pairs - 32 pairs competing:

A B C

- 1 Steve Babin, Normal; Margaret Hansell, Champaign
- 2 1 Pat Moos, Peoria; Bobbie Straker, Pekin
- 3 2 Stan Gutzman, Normal; Jean Barnett, Bloomington
- 4 Phyllis Rahn, Dunlap; Mike Tomlianovich, Bloomington
- 5/7 Joyce McEldowney, Dunlap; Bernie Riley, Pekin



- 5/7 3 1 Maggie Stephens - Jim Slaughter, Champaign  
 5/7 Sheldon Margulis, Saint Louis; Chris Benson, Le Roy  
 4 Dave & Zack Freehill, Bloomington  
 5 Eunice Patton - Chris Biggs, Bloomington  
 6 2 Frank Nester, Mt Carroll; Barbara Bass, Princeton  
 3 Dennis Moll, Bloomington; Ramesh Chaudhuri, Normal  
 4 Stevie & Roger Joslin, Bloomington

**Friday evening stratified pairs - 30 pairs competing:**

- | A | B | C  |
|---|---|--|
| 1 |   | Sheldon Margulis, Saint Louis; Chris Benson, Le Roy    |
| 2 |   | Betty Capodice - Jim Moon, Bloomington                 |
| 3 | 1 | Stan Gutzman, Normal; Jean Barnett, Bloomington        |
| 4 | 2 | Pat Moos, Peoria; Bobbie Straker, Pekin                |
| 5 | 3 | Steve Hawthorne - Bret Van Fleet, Bloomington          |
| 6 | 4 | 1 Bill Walsh - Laura Plummer, Champaign                |
|   | 5 | Floyd Sherry, Eureka; Ken Vogelbaugh, Bloomington      |
|   | 6 | Leah Newell, Springfield; Terry Goodykoontz, Champaign |
|   |   | 2 Steve Volz, Bloomington; Robert Smith, Normal        |
|   |   | 3 Ann Schuyler - Bev Upp, Bloomington                  |
|   |   | 4 Dennis Moll, Bloomington; Ramesh Chaudhuri, Normal   |
|   |   | 5 Fred Roese, Springfield; Cindy Wheeler, Chatham      |

**Saturday stratified pairs - 35 pairs competing:**

- | A | B | C   |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | 1 Daniel Bunde, Urbana; Doug Steele, Seymour            |
| 2 |   | Betty Capodice - Jim Moon, Bloomington                  |
| 3 | 2 | Maggie Stephens - John Brandeberry, Champaign           |
| 4 | 3 | 2 Chris & Kirk Biggs, Bloomington                       |
| 5 | 4 | Bret Van Fleet - Steve Hawthorne, Bloomington           |
| 6 |   | Phyllis Rahn, Dunlap; John Seng, Champaign              |
|   | 5 | Dariel Richardson, Rochester; Larry Wilcox, Springfield |
|   | 6 | 3 Bev Upp - Ann Schuyler, Bloomington                   |
|   |   | 4 Dennis Moll, Bloomington; Ramesh Chaudhuri, Normal    |

**Sunday stratified swiss teams - 21 teams competing:**

- | A | B | C   |
|---|---|---|
| 1 |   | Phyllis Rahn, Dunlap; John Seng, Champaign; Alan Wienman, Morton; Gary Schechter, Springfield   |
| 2 |   | Sheldon Margulis, Saint Louis; Chris & Dick Benson, Le Roy; Lynne Feldman, Champaign            |
| 3 | 1 | Steve Hawthorne - Betty Capodice - Jim Moon - Eunice Patton, Bloomington                        |
| 4 |   | Will Engel, Freeport; Gary Kessler - Dan Requard, Springfield; Daniel Levin, Aurora             |
| 5 | 2 | 1 Kevin Powell - Daniel Bunde, Urbana; Josh Kueker - Paul Holmes, Champaign                     |
| 6 | 3 | Terry Goodykoontz, Champaign; Leah Newell, Springfield; Ray Russ, Henry; Marilyn Stickel, Lacon |
|   | 4 | 2 Dave Short - Dee Boch, Champaign; Linda Goersch - Gary Goersch, Tolono                        |
|   | 5 | Stan Gutzman, Normal; Jean Barnett - Ken Vogelbaugh, Bloomington; Floyd Sherry, Eureka          |

**Tournament masterpoint race - top 25:**

- 1 14.37 Betty Capodice, Bloomington IL
- 2 13.61 Jim Moon, Bloomington IL
- 3-4 11.88 Chris Benson, Le Roy IL & Sheldon Margulis, Saint Louis MO
- 5 11.30 Phyllis Rahn, Dunlap IL
- 6 10.82 Daniel Bunde, Urbana IL
- 7 10.20 Alan Wienman, Morton IL
- 8 9.47 John Seng, Champaign IL

- 9 9.29 Steve Hawthorne, Bloomington IL  
10 8.09 Pat Moos, Peoria IL  
11 7.75 Gary Schechter, Springfield IL  
12 7.61 Eunice Patton, Bloomington IL  
13-14 7.23 Jean Barnett, Bloomington IL & Stan Gutzman, Normal IL  
15 6.95 Steve Babin, Normal IL  
16 6.91 Maggie Stephens, Champaign IL  
17 6.75 Doug Steele, Seymour IL  
18 6.34 Bobbie Straker, Pekin IL  
19-20 5.81 Dick Benson, Le Roy IL & Lynne Feldman, Champaign IL  
21 5.06 Margaret Hansell, Champaign IL  
22-23 4.86 Paul Holmes, Champaign IL & Josh Kueker, Champaign IL  
24 4.58 John Brandeberry, Champaign IL  
25-26 4.21 Dennis Moll, Bloomington IL & Ramesh Chaudhuri, Normal IL

**Gayl West Duplicate – July 9 – 8 tables:**

**North-South:**

- 1st. (62.20%) Jean Barnett-Bloomington & Laura Addison-Bloomington  
2nd. (58.33%) Ruth Wettaw-Bloomington & Glen Beaman-Bloomington

**East-West:**

- 1st. (54.76%) Dewey Gronau-Farmer City & Hank Hoffman-Bloomington  
2nd. (53.87%) Stan Gutzman-Normal & Floyd Sherry-Eureka  
3rd. (52.98%) Bev meginnnes-Towanda & Peg Deutsch-Bloomington  
4th. (52.38%) Ann Schuyler-Bloomington & Camilla Rabjohns-Peoria Heights

**Mike's Monday evening 99ers only pairs – July 9 – 4½ tables:**

- 1st. (64.58%) Mary Hayden-Bloomington & Wendy Anderson-Bloomington  
2nd. (62.50%) Barbara Grissinger-Bloomington & Jim Dirks-Bloomington  
3rd. (54.17%) Elaine Cousins-Bloomington & Steve Green-Goodfield  
4-5. (51.04%) Roberta Weddig-Bloomington & Joe Krause-Bloomington  
Dorothy Berg-Bloomington & Fran Morton-Bloomington

**Mike's Tuesday evening open teams – July 10 – 6 teams:**

- 1st. Chris & Kirk Biggs-Bloomington, Mike Tomlianovich-Bloomington, Steve Babin-Normal  
2-3. Sue & Mike McGroarty-Normal, Dottie & Ken Peters-Normal  
Jean Barnett-Bloomington, Laura Addison-Bloomington,  
Betty Capodice-Bloomington, Jim Moon-Bloomington

**Mike's Thursday open pairs – July 12 – 7½ tables:**

- 1st. (71.15%) Hank Hoffman-Bloomington & Dewey Gronau-Farmer City  
2nd. (59.61%) Jeanne & Don Strand - Normal  
3rd. (57.37%) Betty Capodice-Bloomington & Mike Tomlianovich-Bloomington  
4th. (54.49%) Eunice Viktor-Morton & Stan Gutzman-Normal  
5th. (54.17%) Zack Freehill-Bloomington & Steve Hawthorne-Bloomington  
6th. (53.52%) Ramesh Chaudhuri-Normal & Dennis Moll-Bloomington  
7th. (53.20%) Bev Upp-Bloomington & Ann Schuyler-Bloomington  
8th. (50.96%) Jean Barnett-Bloomington Marilyn Toubeaux-Peoria

**Mike's Saturday open pairs – July 14 – 7½ tables:**

- 1-2. (57.69%) Eunice Patton-Bloomington & Steve Babin-Normal  
Betty Capodice-Bloomington & Steve Hawthorne-Bloomington  
3-4. (56.41%) Jeanne & Don Strand - Normal  
Margaret Hansell-Champaign & Dewey Gronau-Farmer City  
5th. (55.13%) Jean Barnett-Bloomington & Stan Gutzman-Normal

6th. (51.92%) Peg Deutsch-Bloomington & Henrietta Crain-Normal

7th. (51.60%) Art Adams-Bloomington & Mike Tomlianovich-Bloomington

**Gayl West Duplicate – July 16 – 9½ tables:**

**North-South:**

1-2. (58.33%) Bev Meginnes-Towanda & Henrietta Crain-Normal

Bev Upp-Bloomington & Jeanne Strand-Normal

3rd. (56.25%) Betty Capodice-Bloomington & Steve Hawthorne-Bloomington

4th. (53.13%) Margaret Hansell-Champaign & Laura Addison-Bloomington

**East-West:**

1st. (60.19%) Ramesh Chaudhuri-Normal & Dennis Moll-Bloomington

2nd. (56.94%) Stan Gutzman-Normal & Floyd Sherry-Eureka

3rd. (50.69%) Dave & Zack Freehill - Bloomington

4-5. (50.46%) Joanne Glazebrook-Washington & Hank Hoffman-Bloomington

Bobbie Straker-Pekin & Steve Babin-Normal

6th. (50.23%) Norma McNulty-Edwards & Marilyn Toubeaux-Peoria

**Mike's Monday evening 99ers only pairs – July 16 – 4 tables:**

1st. (63.49%) Patty & Rodger Paul - Bloomington

2nd. (61.90%) Anne Garrett-Bloomington & Wendy Anderson-Bloomington

3rd. (61.11%) Roberta Weddig-Bloomington & Joe Krause-Bloomington

4th. (56.35%) Tanya & Al Colman - Champaign

**Mike's Tuesday evening open teams – July 17 – 6 teams:**

1st. Mary & John Cralley-Normal, Dave & Zack Freehill-Bloomington

2nd. Carole Bardwell-Normal, Ann Farnsworth-Normal,

Ray Dostal-Bloomington, Randall Motchan-Bloomington

**Mike's Thursday open pairs – July 19 – 8 tables:**

**North-South:**

1st. (55.95%) Ramesh Chaudhuri-Normal & Dennis Moll-Bloomington

2nd. (53.87%) Esther Dunn-Bloomington & Bev Meginnes-Towanda

3rd. (52.68%) Jeanne & Don Strand - Normal

4th. (52.08%) Linda Mitchell-Cambridge,ON,CA & Paul Lindauer-Varna

5th. (50.00%) Bev Upp-Bloomington & Henrietta Crain-Normal

**East-West:**

1st. (58.93%) Phyllis Rahn-Dunlap & Alan Wienman-Morton

2nd. (56.85%) Hank Hoffman-Bloomington & Dewey Gronau-Farmer City

3rd. (56.25%) Gail Moon-Bloomington & Mike Tomlianovich-Bloomington

4th. (54.17%) Glen Beaman-Bloomington & John Burdon-Washington

**Mike's Saturday open pairs – July 21 – 7½ tables:**

1st. (67.31%) Gail & Jim Moon - Bloomington

2nd. (61.54%) Dennis Fitton-Sidney & Mike Tomlianovich-Bloomington

3rd. (58.98%) Glen Beaman-Bloomington & Zack Freehill-Bloomington

4th. (57.69%) Betty Capodice-Bloomington & Steve Hawthorne-Bloomington

5th. (50.64%) Jean Barnett-Bloomington & Laura Addison-Bloomington

**Gayl West Duplicate – July 23 – 8½ tables:**

**North-South:**

1st. (64.29%) Laura Addison-Bloomington & Stan Gutzman-Normal

2nd. (53.87%) Dave Freehill-Bloomington & Walter Fox-Bloomington

3rd. (53.57%) Glen Beaman-Bloomington & Floyd Shery-Eureka

4th. (52.68%) Jeanne & Don Strand - Normal

5th. (52.38%) Jan Rolfs-Bloomington & Babe Fullan-Bloomington

**East-West:**

- 1st. (58.20%) Ivey Weaver-Bloomington & Dewey Gronau-Farmer City
- 2nd. (55.56%) Bill Carley-Peoria & John Burdon-Washington
- 3rd. (53.97%) Hank Hoffman-Bloomington & Phil Kenney-Eureka
- 4th. (51.85%) Dorothy Berg-Bloomington & Peg Deutsch-Bloomington

**Mike's Monday evening 99ers only pairs – July 23 – 5 tables:**

- 1st. (59.03%) Gaye Hoselton-Chenoa & Michelle Tomlin-Normal
- 2nd. (58.33%) Barbara Lysohir-Bloomington & Mary Lou Gold-Bloomington
- 3rd. (55.56%) Harber Hall-Bloomington & Ben Snyder-Bloomington
- 4th. (54.86%) Stevie & Roger Joslin - Bloomington
- 5th. (53.47%) Mary Houska-Normal & Jill Colledge-Bloomington
- 6th. (52.08%) Barbara Schaad-Bloomington & Sarah Bourland-Normal
- 7th. (50.00%) Jim Maslan-LeRoy & Vern Shelton-Downs

**Mike's Tuesday evening open teams – July 24 – 6 teams:**

- 1st. Gail & Jim Moon-Bloomington, Ruth Wettaw-Bloomington, Laura Addison-Bloomington
- 2nd. Mary & John Cralley-Normal, Dave & Zack Freehill-Bloomington
- 2nd. Jeanne & Don Strand-Normal, Stan Gutzman-Normal, Hank Hoffman-Bloomington

**Mike's Thursday open pairs – July 26 – 6½ tables:**

- 1st. (66.25%) Glen Beaman-Bloomington & John Burdon-Washington
- 2nd. (62.22%) Zack & Dave Freehill - Bloomington
- 3rd. (61.67%) Hank Hoffman-Bloomington & Bill Carley-Peoria
- 4th. (54.17%) Bev Upp-Bloomington & Stan Gutzman-Normal
- 5th. (50.41%) Joe Krause-Bloomington & John Sheen-Downs
- 6th. (50.00%) Ann Schuyler-Bloomington & Camilla Rabjohns-Peoria Heights

**Mike's Saturday open pairs – July 28 – 7 tables:**

**North-South:**

- 1st. (62.50%) Glen Beaman-Bloomington & John Burdon-Washington
- 2nd. (61.61%) Carole Bardwell-Normal & Ray Dostal-Bloomington
- 3rd. (50.89%) Jeanne & Don Strand - Normal

**East-West:**

- 1st. (62.20%) Jean Barnett-Bloomington & Marilyn Toubeaux-Peoria
- 2nd. (54.76%) Steve Wulfers-Normal & Randall Motchan-Bloomington
- 3rd. (51.79%) Bev Upp-Bloomington & Ann Schuyler-Bloomington
- 4th. (51.49%) Bret Van Fleet-Bloomington & Zack Freehill-Bloomington

**Gayl West Duplicate – July 30 – 7 tables:**

**North-South:**

- 1st. (55.65%) Jean Barnett-Bloomington & Eunice Viktor-Morton
- 2nd. (53.87%) Betty Capodice-Bloomington & Joanne Glazebrook-Washington

**East-West:**

- 1st. (63.69%) Zack Freehill-Bloomington & Steve Hawthorne-Bloomington
- 2nd. (53.57%) Ivey Weaver-Bloomington & Dewey Gronau-Farmer City
- 3rd. (52.68%) Laura Addison-Bloomington & Steve Babin-Normal
- 4th. (51.49%) Stan Gutzman-Normal & Phil Kenney-Eureka

**Mike's Monday evening 99ers only teams – July 30 – 5½ tables:**

- 1st. (59.38%) Tanya & Al Colman - Champaign
- 2nd. (58.33%) Dorothy Berg-Bloomington & Sam Weiler-Bloomington
- 3rd. (57.03%) Stevie & Roger Joslin - Bloomington
- 4th. (53.90%) Gaye Hoselton-Chenoa & Harber Hall-Bloomington
- 5th. (51.57%) Mary Houska-Normal & Linda Frankeberger-Bloomington

6th. (50.78%) Barbara Schaad-Bloomington & Sarah Bourland-Normal

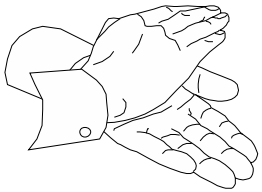
7th. (50.00%) Patty & Rodger Paul - Bloomington

**Mike's Tuesday evening open teams – July 31 –7 teams:**

1st. Chris & Kirk Biggs-Bloomington, Steve Babin-Normal, Mike Tomlianovich-Bloomington

2nd. Jean Barnett-Bloomington, Laura Addison-Bloomington, Betty Capodice-Bloomington,  
Stan Gutzman-Normal

3rd. Carole Bardwell-Normal, Steve Wulfers-Normal, Ray Dostal-Bloomington, Randall Motchan-Bloomington



**Congratulations to all winners!**



## **Bloomington-Normal new rank achievers – so far in 2007:**

**New junior masters: Sam Weiler**

**New club masters:**

**New sectional masters: Joann Rouse, Darryl Bremner**

**New regional masters: Walter Fox, Ann Schuyler, Art Adams, Bev Upp**

**New NABC masters: Peg Deutsch, Chris Biggs**

**New life masters: Randall Motchan**

**New bronze life masters: Ruth Wettaw**

**New gold life masters: Laura Addison**

## **Bloomington-Normal entries in the unit 208**

### **2007 masterpoint races - updated 7/5/2007**

#### **Mini-McKenney (all masterpoints earned):**

**0-5 masterpoints:**

**5-20 masterpoints:**

**20-50 masterpoints:**

**50-100 masterpoints:**, Bev Upp #7 with 32.62, Ramesh Chaudhari #8 with 29.64

**100-200 masterpoints:** Ann Schuyler #3 with 67.14, Dennis Moll #4 with 53.22

**200-300 masterpoints:** Chris Biggs #1 with 57.63

**300-500 masterpoints:** Carole Bardwell #4 with 80.69, Randall Motchan #8 with 53.68

**500-1000 masterpoints:** Steve Hawthorne #2 with 118.47, Zack Freehill #9 with 72.49

**1000-2500 masterpoints:**

**2500-5000 masterpoints:** Betty Capodice #4 with 78.46

#### **Ace of Clubs (masterpoints won only at club games):**

**0-5 masterpoints:**

**5-20 masterpoints:**

**20-50 masterpoints:**

**50-100 masterpoints:**

**100-200 masterpoints:** Ann Schuyler #2 with 19.84

**200-300 masterpoints:** Chris Biggs #1 with 27.34, Dave Freehill #7 with 13.87

**300-500 masterpoints:** Ruth Wettaw #2 with 22.45

**500-1000 masterpoints:**

**Zack Freehill #7 with 34.49, Steve Hawthorne #8 with 34.29, Stan Gutzman #9 with 31.65**

**1000-2500 masterpoints:** Gail Moon #5 with 47.68, Laura Addison #9 with 37.13

**2500-5000 masterpoints Betty Capodice #2 with 36.71**



**Remember: All Bloomington-Normal duplicate events adhere to the ACBL's zero tolerance for unacceptable behavior. Do NOT let this person's conduct rub off on you!!**

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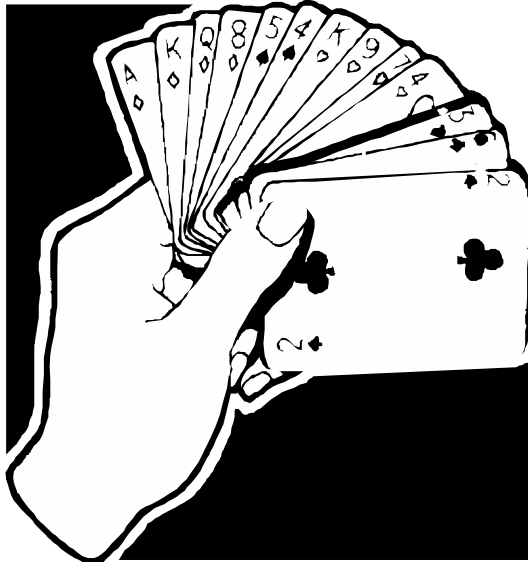
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2007/07/12	71.15%	Hank Hoffman & Dewey Gronau
2007/05/21	71.88%	Joe Krause & John Sheen
2007/03/01	72.76%	Betty Capodice & Steve Hawthorne
2007/01/08	70.96%	Roberta Weddig & Joe Krause
2006/10/23	70.00%	Linda Hanfland & Sarah Bourland
2006/09/14	71.39%	Zack Freehill & Steve Hawthorne
2006/09/04	70.63%	Gail & Jim Moon
2006/08/03	70.54%	Chris Biggs & Jean Barnett
2006/07/15	71.13%	Adrian Hutber & Dennis Fitton
2006/06/10	73.66%	Norinne & Dick Nelson
2006/06/08	71.67%	Marilyn Toubeaux & Steve Babin
2006/04/08	72.22%	Fei Dong & Steve Hawthorne
2006/03/27	74.44%	Rich Spengler & Tom Sheagren
2006/02/23	78.13%	Linda Odette & Mike Tomlianovich

## Upcoming tournaments:



**Peoria Fall Sectional**  
**September 14-16, Hult Health Center**





## Tip of the month:

### The Convention Card – part 15 of a 16-part series

**This month:** the sections titled “opening leads”.

It would be helpful to have a copy of the convention card as you read this tip.

The convention card shows a default agreement for opening leads. A variety of suit patterns are shown with the “standard” lead in bold lettering. For example, should you decide to lead from a suit that has 4 cards all less than a 10-spot, the “standard” lead is the 4<sup>th</sup> highest in the suit. If your lead agreement for any of the shown suit patterns is other than the bold card, then circle the one that you would normally lead.

Leading against suit contracts are many times different than leading against no-trump contracts. So there is a section for suits and a section for no-trump.

**Suggestion:** When in doubt, take the default shown.

Also in this section is a marking for your general lead from your longest suit. When leading from your longest suit, most players use 4<sup>th</sup> best leads against both suit and no-trump contracts. Then you need to check the boxes after “4<sup>th</sup> best” for both suits and no-trump. There are a few players who use 3<sup>rd</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> best leads.

Lastly is the selection of what do you follow suit with when your partner makes an opening lead. Most players show attitude, then check the first box after the word “attitude”. Some players will use “count” or “suit preference”.

**Next month’s tip:** The section titled “the defensive carding section”.