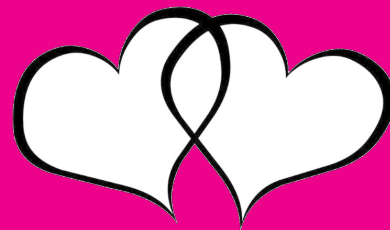


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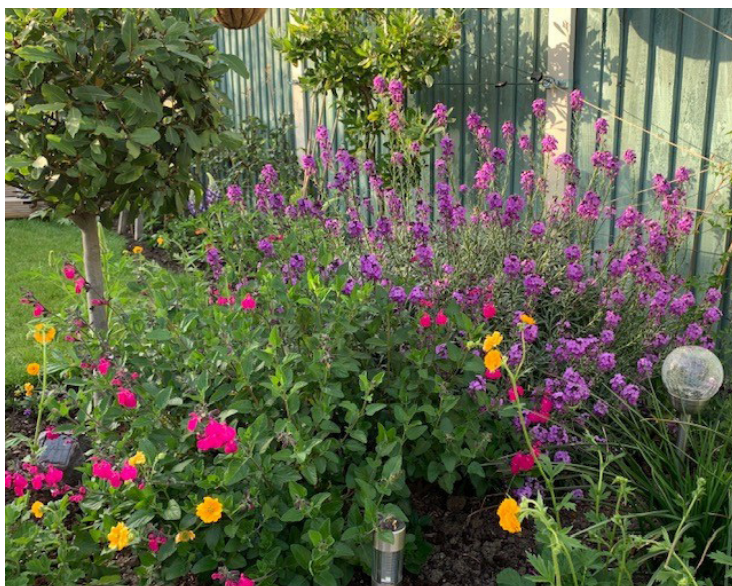
Back in Place

In yesterday's bulletin we reported from the final of the April MMT between Alpert and Parker, won by the Parker. In round 2 yesterday Alpert avenged that defeat by a 53-3 or 19.16-0.84 VP victory.

One more 19-VP-victory plus a more modest win brings Alpert back in her favorite place on top of the field.

Medium Rare is second 12 VPs away and the Turnips and the Patients occupy the last two qualifying places after day one.

To the right you see our faithful reporter Mark Horton's blossoming spring garden. We are happy to receive your pictures from wherever in the world you are.



All players should enter BBO 10 minutes before the beginning of a match. TD Denis Dobrin will instruct you where to sit. All players must have their name in their BBO-profile. Private isn't allowed for the sake of opponents and kibitzers.

Today's Schedule

Tuesday May 11











10:30 EST / 16:30 CET – Round 4 (16 boards)

12:50 EST / 18:50 CET – Round 5 (16 boards)










15:10 EST / 21:10 CET – Round 6 (16 boards)

Today's Schedule


Round 4

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
<u>1</u>	 <u>YOUNG ADULTS</u>	 <u>MEDIUM RARE</u>
<u>2</u>	 <u>NEW YORKERS</u>	 <u>PANAMERICANA</u>
<u>3</u>	 <u>TURNIPS</u>	 <u>PATIENTS</u>
<u>4</u>	 <u>ALPERT</u>	 <u>TULIPS ++</u>
<u>5</u>	 <u>PARKER</u>	 <u>JUST SIPPIN</u>

Round 5

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
<u>1</u>	 <u>YOUNG ADULTS</u>	 <u>TURNIPS</u>
<u>2</u>	 <u>TULIPS ++</u>	 <u>NEW YORKERS</u>
<u>3</u>	 <u>PARKER</u>	 <u>MEDIUM RARE</u>
<u>4</u>	 <u>PANAMERICANA</u>	 <u>JUST SIPPIN</u>
<u>5</u>	 <u>ALPERT</u>	 <u>PATIENTS</u>

Round 6

Tbl	Home Team	Visiting Team
<u>1</u>	 <u>YOUNG ADULTS</u>	 <u>PANAMERICANA</u>
<u>2</u>	 <u>MEDIUM RARE</u>	 <u>PATIENTS</u>
<u>3</u>	 <u>NEW YORKERS</u>	 <u>ALPERT</u>
<u>4</u>	 <u>JUST SIPPIN</u>	 <u>TURNIPS</u>
<u>5</u>	 <u>TULIPS ++</u>	 <u>PARKER</u>

Results

Ranking after round 3

rank	team	#	1	7	5	9	3	2	10	8	4	6	VP tot
1	ALPERT	1	♠	12.55			19.16			19.07			50.78
2	MEDIUM RARE	7	7.45	♥				11.20				20.00	38.65
3	TURNIPS	5			♦		8.24			9.39	18.09		35.72
4	PATIENTS	9				♣			12.29	9.09	12.03		33.41
5	PARKER	3	0.84		11.76		♠					18.21	30.81
6	JUST SIPPIN	2		8.80				♥	14.80			6.25	29.85
7	YOUNG ADULTS	10				7.71		5.20	♦		11.20		24.11
8	PANAMERICANA	8	0.93		10.61	10.91				♣			22.45
9	TULIPS ++	4			1.91	7.97			8.80		♠		18.68
10	NEW YORKERS	6		0.00			1.79	13.75				♥	15.54

Results

Future events

Summer Mixed Teams

June 14 - 18

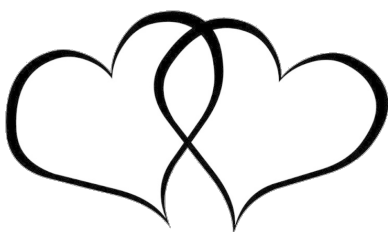
Summer Mixed Trophy
- Surprise for the winners

July 5 - 8

July Mixed Teams (4 days)

August 9 - 12

August Mixed Teams (4 days)



Registration via mmt.bridgeresults.org

Victim of the Day

Carlos Hoyos

by Christina Lund Madsen



How old are you, where do you live and are you single on a regular basis?

- I'm 40, born and raised in Bogota, Columbia, I'm not single usually but I am right now!

What is your background in terms of education and jobs and what do you do now?

- I studied business but I didn't finish. I had a restaurant doing so well I had to take care of that, hoping I would finish latter but I didn't. Later I sold the restaurant and then I had some other restaurants and bars, and lately I started playing bridge too.

How has life been in Columbia during Covid?

- I've been fine, but a lot of people are having a lot of problems here, the quarantine here has been really long.

How and when did you begin to play bridge?

- My father taught me King when I was very young. It's like Bridge (kind of) and I started to play some King-tournaments in the bridge club. There every bridge player told me that I should start playing Bridge and I told them, they should play King and that I'll never play bridge. But all my friends started playing bridge so I didn't have any King players left, so I gave bridge a chance. I was 23 I think.



Tell us about bridge in Columbia.

- Bridge here is dying faster than anywhere else, people just like to play with their friends in their own places, the only good thing going on here is the tournament in Cali. It is growing a lot and is just the best tourney in the world by far!

Tell us your best story from a bridge tournament (not involving bridge).

- There are too many, especially after all the karaoke nights. Maybe the one someone made a bet that I had to swim naked in the pool at 5 AM. It was freezing but I won!!

What were you like as a teenager?

- Just a normal kid, but I did thought about playing soccer all day. Later I changed soccer for girls.

Charlie with one of the many girls of his dreams (or nightmares)



Where is the strangest place you ever woke up?

- In a bridge table, I was playing the final of the Cali tourney and I woke up 2 or 3 boards into it, seriously I don't remember anything before that, the previous night the tourney made the best party ever and everyone was brain dead, I think this is the only story I can tell here lol.

Tell us something you are really good at and really bad at.

Playing Acquire (a board game), ping pong, I was very good at soccer. I'm bad for a lot of things, karaoke comes to mind first!

How would your best friend describe you in three words?

- Noble, resilient and party!

What is the most stupid thing you ever did?

- Girls I probably shouldn't lol and responding to this with autocorrect in Spanish.

What do you dream about?

A lot and nothing, I would love to go back to play a national and see everyone again!

What would you like to change about your life?

- Maybe to start playing pro bridge before, a lot of friends told me years ago but I didn't till just recently. I didn't know there was so much fun involved.

Who would you like to partner, kiss, kill between Giorgia, Irene and Zach Grossack?

- Hard to kill a lovely girl so I'll kill Zach. Can I play with both of them, then kiss them so they can kill me? No? I'll play with Giorgia (again). It was fun last time. And kiss Irene.

The Darling Buds of May

Round 1

By Mark Horton



Welcome to the May Mixed Teams! It's the time of year when the trees blossom and colour starts to return to the garden. When I am looking for inspiration I generally retreat into ours with a mid-morning coffee.

That's exactly what I did yesterday - and when play got under way in Round 1 this deal reminded me that some of our roses have very sharp thorns:

Board 4. Dealer West. All Vul.

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

The debate goes on about the best opening bid with the North hand, with both 1♣ and 1♠ having plenty of support. In this case East might overcall 1NT after either of them and South will double. Then it's a question of how EW might get off the hook. Let's find out!

Young Adults v Patients

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Sokol	Nedrebø	L. Madsen	Plana
Pass	1♠	1NT	4♠
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

East led the ♠A and then switched to the ♣A, declarer soon claiming nine tricks, -200.

If East had guessed to start with the ♣A then -500 would have been a possibility as West can score a club ruff.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Selway	Petelko	Weiss	Retter
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♣*
Pass	3♦*	Pass	3NT*
All Pass			

2♣ Game forcing, 2+♣
 3♦ Splinter with minimum
 3NT Good ♦ stopper

West led the ♥7 and declarer won with the king and played a club for the five, king and nine. After unblocking the ♥A declarer came to hand with a diamond and played a second club, covered all round. East exited with a club to declarer's ten, won the spade return, cashed two more spades and switched to a diamond, -200 and a push.

West did well to lead a heart. On a diamond lead declarer can win, play a club to the king and if East ducks, continue with the ♣Q. East wins and does best to switch to a heart, but declarer win in hand, unblocks the ♣10, crosses to dummy with the ♥A, cashes two more clubs and then exits with a spade. In due course East will have to play a red card.

Panamericana v Alpert

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Alpert	Herrera	Versace	Cabrera
Pass	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♦*	Pass	2♥	All Pass

South started with three rounds of diamonds and North ruffed and switched to a spade, declarer winning with the king and playing the ♥J. South played low, ensuring at least two down when North won and switched to the ♣K. Declarer won and played a second heart and South won and played a club, scoring two more trump tricks for +300.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Taylor	Hoyos	Boyd-Bowman	S. Molson
Pass	1♠	1NT	Dble
2♦*	Pass	2♥	Dble
All Pass			

2♦ Hearts

South led the ♦A and switched to the ♠8 for the ten, queen and ace, declarer running the ♥9 to North's ace. Declarer won the club switch and cashed two spades disposing of dummy's second club before playing a second heart.



Alix Taylor and Peter Boyd-Bowman

South won and played a club but declarer ruffed in dummy and played a diamond, which ensured seven tricks, -200 and a 3 IMP gain.

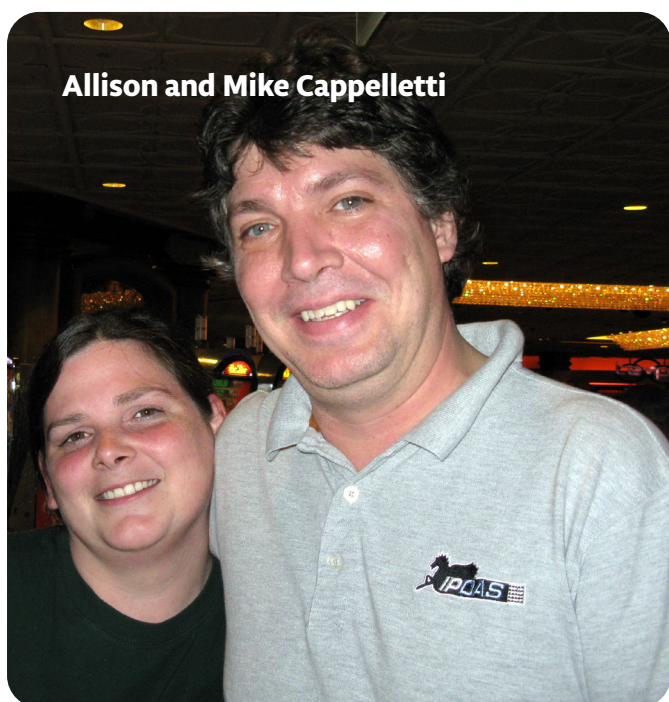
Medium Rare v Just Sippin

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
A Cappelletti	Fehrenbach	M Cappelletti	Tunçok
Pass	1♠	1NT	Dble
2♦*	3♣	Pass	3NT
Pass	Pass	Dble	All Pass

2♦ 'I think diamonds and one higher'

Assuming East also thought 2♦ was that suit and a higher one, EW were out of danger.

West led the ♠10 for the queen and king and East found the essential play of switching to a heart, attacking declarer's communications. Declarer won with the king and played a second spade and East won and now returned the ♦4. Declarer won (as West followed with the jack) and played another spade and East won and now went back to hearts (a diamond will mean three down).



Allison and Mike Cappelletti

Declarer won perforce with dummy's ace, cashed two spades and then played the ♣K. When it held declarer now had a guess for the contract. He played a club, but it was the 2, not the queen, so one down, -200. I'm sure I have read somewhere that 'the pin is mightier than the sword'.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Salhon	Hinze	Baskan	Enfield
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT*
Pass	2♣	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	Dble	All Pass

1NT Semi forcing

East led the ♠A and switched to the ♥J, declarer winning with the king and playing a club for the king and ace. The heart exit went to dummy's ace and declarer came to hand with a diamond, played a club to the queen and a third club. West could ruff that, which meant two down, -500 and a 7 IMP loss.

Parker v New Yorkers

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Z Grossack	Tebha	Edmonds	Rubenstein
Pass	1♠	1NT	Dble
2♦*	Pass	2♥	Dble
All Pass			

2♦ 'Diamonds and a higher (she may think transfer)'

South led the ♦K and switched to the ♠2 for the queen and ace, declarer continuing with the ♥J, North taking the ace and playing a second spade. Declarer won with the jack, played a heart to South's king, pitched a club from dummy on the spade return and played a diamond for the queen and ace. South exited with a club and declarer won with the ace and ruffed a club.

Unwilling to accept one down by playing on diamonds, declarer exited with a heart, but South could win, draw the last trump and play a club for -800.

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Baroni	Dobrescu	Donati	Greenberg
Pass	1♠	1NT	Dble
2♦*	Pass	2♥	Dble
All Pass			

2♦ Hearts

South started with three rounds of diamonds, North ruffing and switching to the ♣K which ensured two down and -500. However, that meant the loss of 7 IMPs.

Turnips v Tulips++

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
J Jansma	Tartarin	Levin	Lorenzini
Pass	1♠	1NT	Dble
2♦*	Pass	2♥	Dble
All Pass			

2♦ Transfer

Three rounds of diamonds saw North ruff and switch to the ♣K. When it held she played a spade and declarer won with the ace and played the ♥J to North's ace. Back came a spade and it was asking a lot for declarer to finesse. However, winning with the king meant there were only five tricks, -800.



Ted Greenberg
Photo: tedgreenberg.com

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Setton	Both	Franceschetti	A Jansma
Pass	1♠	1NT	Dble
2♦*	Pass	2♥	Dble
All Pass			

2♦ Transfer

South led the ♦A and switched to a spade for the queen and ace. In due course declarer could pitch a club on a spade and was not tempted to try for a 3-3 trump break, settling for one down, -200 and a 12 IMP gain.

Summing up, no-one opened 1♣. Clearly those West's who were able to bid 2♦ to show that suit and a higher raking one were best placed. However, when West bids 2♦ as a transfer to hearts, East might (or perhaps I should say I) consider passing, waiting to see what happens.



Peter Both

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