

# PCBA REVIEW

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## President's Message

Fellow Members:

This is the initial issue of our unit newsletter, and it comes at a very exciting time for our unit. We have just concluded a very enjoyable Regional at Haddon Hall in Atlantic City and are busy preparing for the Nationals in November.

A hand-picked team from the District will meet the Aces in a Vu-graph exhibition preceding the Nationals, and I'm predicting more "Blues" for the boys from Dallas.

Highlight of the entertainment for the Nationals will be the "Keystone Follies," scheduled for the first Saturday night and second Friday night of the tournament. Don't miss it!

More about the show and other items that go to make the greatest Fall Nationals ever will be discussed at our next sectional in October at King of Prussia. See you there.

Charles Gray, PCBA President

## Editors' Message

Here's your first issue of the PCBA REVIEW, a newsletter which will bring you news - of what happened, what's happening, and what will happen. What we need now is help - anything funny happen to you lately at the bridge table?..an interesting hand?..a little gossip!..you made Life Master!..an article you have always wanted to write?..a new convention?..a poem to publish? It's your REVIEW, so give us your ideas.

Linda and David Hutchinson

## PCBA Members Elected to District Board

At the recent Keystone Regional in Atlantic City, George Shull was elected President of the Keystone Conference (District 4). Ruby Underwood was elected Secretary, and Miriam Lees was re-elected Treasurer of the District.

## Blumenthal Repeats in K/O

The Blumenthal team (Mark Blumenthal, Mike Garner, Billy Landow, Harlow Lewis, Luis Pietri), unit champions for the last two years, extended their reign by holding on to part of a slender 12-imp half-time lead to beat the Smith team (Helen Smith, Ken Cohen, Evelyn Levitt, Dave Treadwell) by five imps in the finals of this year's knockouts. Tied for third and fourth were:

Billy Gough, Reuben Alexander, Alex Danilenko, Chris Jeans, Ray Raskin

Fred Weiner, Rick Bojar, Harvey Goldrich, Lou Pike, Ron Shulman

The match, one of a series beginning in November, was the end of the 1971-72 (5th annual) Philadelphia double elimination knockout team championships. 22 teams, the largest field to date, competed, playing head-to-head 28-board matches scored at imps. One imp constitutes a win, with a provision for a six-board playoff in case of a tie. Matches are played at roughly three-week intervals, with team captains making all arrangements for date and location. Several duplicate clubs are available as playing sites.

Entries for next year's knockouts, a sanctioned event equivalent in awards to a sectional team game, will be sold starting at the October sectional to any four or five-member team.

## Annual Trophy Standings

Leading the race for the Jordan Trophy (most points won in PCBA tournaments by a Life Master) is Reuben Alexander, followed by Ellis Sokoloff, Sonny Jaspán, Dave McAninley, Billy Gough, and Mike Garner. In the Sitnick Trophy race for non-Life Masters, Connie McGinley is leading, followed by Charles Fleisher and Roscoe Rigmaiden. The winners of this year's trophies will be announced at the January tournament.

In 1971, the Jordan Trophy was won by Skippy Becker and the Sitnick Trophy by Terry Hogan.

## Recorder System in Full Operation

by Ray Raskin

Beginning with the January 1972 tournament, the PCBA has had a recorder system in operation. This system, based upon the one originated in New York City, is designed to keep records on possible unethical practices and to take corrective action to prevent their reoccurrence. Our Recorder, Ray Raskin, is in attendance at all PCBA events, and an announcement is made regarding his location on the floor should it be necessary to contact him during the game.

The procedure for filing is to write a report giving the date, event, persons involved, details of the incident, and the hand itself (if possible). This report must be given to the Recorder. It must be signed by the person making the complaint, or it will not be accepted. The Recorder then files and cross-indexes the report. Assuming, and depending upon degree, a pattern of infractions arises involving a specific player or partnership, the Recorder will notify the chairman of the Conduct and Ethics Committee. The Recorder, by vote of the Executive Board in January 1972, is a member of this committee. The Conduct and Ethics Committee will then meet to determine if any action should be taken. If action is to be taken, the person (or persons) involved will be asked to appear at a committee hearing, will be alerted to their possible misconduct, and will be given a warning. Future complaints would lead to penalties.

Typical situations in which a recorder would be called are: 1) partnership understandings not on a convention card (example: two hearts - double - two spades tends to be psychic); 2) informative huddles; 3) coffee-housing; 4) taking an unsupportable position in an unusual situation and being consistently correct (example: assuming partner to be psyching when your convention card does not indicate that you psyche). These are situations in which a director cannot usually take definite action.

Remember, this system is a service by your unit for the protection of its members, and it can only work with the cooperation of all tournament players. If you don't file a report because you don't want to get involved or because you are friendly with the person concerned, you are only doing a disservice to yourself and other ethical bridge players - as well as protecting those from whom you need protection.

## Keystone Follies at the Fall Nationals

Rehearsals for the Keystone Follies, Philadelphia's musical bridge spoof to be presented during the Fall Nationals in Lancaster, are already in high gear. The brainstorm for this amateur show came from Judy Kay, who prevailed upon local bridge talent for help in the areas of choreography (Ceal Sokoloff); musical direction (Carole Moscotti); costuming (Joan Weinrott, assisted by Jean Segal and Phyllis Jordan); sets (Bill Freedman, David Hutchinson, Essie and Al Schlick); piano (Linda Hutchinson); artwork (Hilda Ossar and Marcy Weisgold); and publicity (Essie and Milt Dubow). Appearing as our answer to the Rockettes: Arlene Freedman, Mary Bason, Betty Selby, Gerri Pietri, Rhoda Moskowitz, Sylvia Lang, Pearl Krakovitz, Adele Kelly, Jean Gattinella, Bert Cutler, and Joyce Tracton. You will enjoy the voices of Helen Smith, Sara and Aaron Bogdanoff, Shirley Weinstein, Ruby Underwood, Suzanne and Freeman Mason, Earl Halpern, Gene Dollar, and Charlie Gray. Lester Feirman, Harold Levitt, and Dave Treadwell will supply the comic relief, and Reggie Gray will be at the helm of our special children's number.

## Results, May Sectional, King of Prussia

### Women's Pairs

- 1 - Irma Slabey, Marie Gaynor
- 2 - Sandy Rummel, Suzanne Mason

### Men's Pairs

- 1 - Leon Finkle, Jerry Locks
- 2 - Richard Miller, Leon Sosnow

### Masters' Pairs

- 1 - Merle Tom, Matt Granovetter
- 2 - Barbara Kepple, Sam Matlin

### Non-Masters' Pairs

- 1 - Andy Reiver, Bob Sall
- 2 - Dr. G. Tutwiler, C. R. Rasmussen

### Open Pairs

- 1 - Billy Gough, Reuben Alexander
- 2 - Jay Apfelbaum, Tom Justl

### Consolation Open Pairs

- 1 - Gail Fishner, Jerry Locks
- 2 - Milt Silver, M. Adelsberg

### Swiss Teams of Four

- 1/2 - Sonny Jaspan, Connie McGinley, Charles Fleisher, Ellis Sokoloff
- 1/2 - Dave McAninley, Ethel Silver, Alex Reitarowski, Roscoe Rigmaiden

# PCBA FALL SECTIONAL

October 13-14-15, 1972

Holiday Inn, 260 Goddard Boulevard, King of Prussia, Pa., 19406



Tournament Director....Jack Hudgins

Sanction No. S210-147

## Schedule of events (Officially approved by the ACBL)

## Defenders

### FRIDAY

Women's Pairs (one session) ..... 1:30 p.m.

Men's Pairs (one session)..... 1:30 p.m.

Masters' Pairs 20+ (one session)..... 8:00 p.m.

Non-Masters' Pairs 0-20 (one session) .... 8:00 p.m.

### SATURDAY

Open Pairs (qualifying) ..... 1:30 & 8:00 p.m.

Special Pairs (one session)..... 8:00 p.m.

(no charge to non-qualifiers)

### SUNDAY

Swiss Teams of Four ..... 1:00 & 6:30 p.m.

Essie Schlick, Beverly Cohen

Ray Raskin, Charlie Gray

Ray Raskin, Billy Gough

Alan Cutler, Agnes Rash

Dave Treadwell, Ken Cohen

Skippy Becker, Robert Becker,

Joe Asber, Dr. E. Davidson



Entry fee, all events.....\$3.00 per player per session (25¢ to 1972 Nationals Fund)



Bridge is a game for ladies and gentlemen, and we urge our players to dress and act accordingly. We reserve the right to reject any entry for any infraction of the rules.



Make room reservations with Holiday Inn, 215-265-7500. Mention bridge tournament.



Check scores or arrange to pick up prizes by calling Essie or Al Schlick, TR-8-1263.

## Tournament Committee

Chairmen .....Helen Smith  
Essie Schlick

Partnerships.....Peggy Budin, HA-4-5497

Prizes.....Al Schlick

Hospitality.....Suzanne Mason

Recorder.....Ray Raskin

## PCBA Officers

President .....Charles Gray

Vice-President ..... Henry Greer

Secretary .....Ruby Underwood

Treasurer .....Miriam Lees

Business Manager.....Arthur Cooney

Ass't. Business Manager.....George Shull

## Results, Keystone Regional, Atlantic City

### Women's Swiss Teams of Four

1/2 - Evelyn Levitt, Helen Smith, Judy Kay,  
Ruth Blumenthal

1/2 - Betty Adler, Judi Solodar, Gayle Rubens,  
Gloria Rabinowitz

### Men's Swiss Teams of Four

1 - Mark Blumenthal, Eddie Shapiro, Jay Cohen,  
Luis Pietri

2 - Skippy Becker, Robert Becker, Leon Goodman,  
Lt. Col. Murray L. Schnee

### Masters' Pairs

1 - Marty Bergen, Richard Oshlag

2 - Mrs. B. Horkitz, Lionel Friedberg

### Non-Masters' Pairs

1 - Harry Brenner, Tony Kwok-Heng To

2 - Mary Tyrrell, Jean Benson

### Women's Pairs

1 - S. J. Roark, Gail Moss

2 - Mrs. H. Heller, Gloria Noszka

### Men's Pairs

1 - Jim Becker, William Esberg

2 - Floyd Back, Fred King

### Open Pairs

1 - Steve Parker, Steve Robinson

2 - Herbert Sachs, Don Faskow

### Consolation Open Pairs

1/2 - Richard Coren, Billy Gough

1/2 - Ken and Judy Parker

### Swiss Teams of Four

1 - Betty and Julian Adler, Sue and Dave Sachs

2/3 - Alan Sontag, Gene Neiger, Steve Altman,  
Nancy and Peter Weischel

2/3 - Doug Widman, Pedro Cabral, Nancy Widman,  
Susan Rohrberg


**TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

Fall Sectional, King of Prussia  
October 13-15, 1972  
See details inside

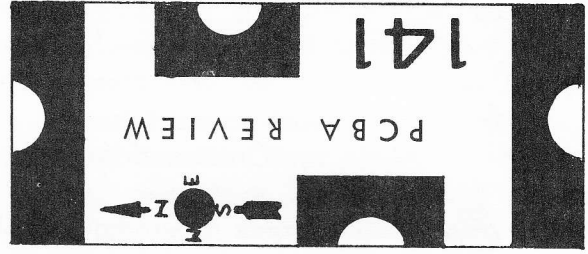
Fall Nationals, Lancaster  
November 10-19, 1972

Unit-wide game, at most local clubs  
December 7, 1972

Winter Sectionals  
January 5-7, 1973 - Philadelphia  
February 23-25, 1973 - King of Prussia



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My Favorite Hand - Norman Kay

This hand, played by Norman Kay in the world championship match versus Italy in Miami in 1967, illustrates his winning style.

By the use of the unusual notrump after Forquet and Garozzo had bid the red suits, Norman played the hand in three clubs doubled.

Opening lead: five of hearts.

Norman took the jack of hearts with his ace and led a spade to dummy's jack, then continued spades. Forquet took his ace and led his other heart, won by dummy's king. Norman ruffed a diamond and led a spade winner. West ruffed with the nine of clubs and dummy overruffed with the queen. Declarer ruffed another diamond, to

		
North		
	J8	
	K43	
	Q 10752	
West		East
	Q87	7432
	A9	QJ976
	52	J96
South		K
	AK843	KQ1065
	AJ93	A108
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	106542	

reach this position:

Norman led the spade ten, ruffed by West with the three and overruffed in dummy. Then he ruffed another diamond and led the 13th spade, discarding dummy's heart loser. Now there was no way that Forquet and Garozzo could get more than three of the last four tricks. Three clubs doubled and made, gaining nine International Match Points!

	<u>North</u>	
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	4	
	Q 107	
<u>West</u>		<u>East</u>
	87	7
	---	Q97
	AK8	J
<u>South</u>		K
	AJ3	---
	106	1065
	10	
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CHARITY GAME

Heart machine for Metropolitan Hospital  
 White Manor Country Club  
 Saturday, December 16, 1972  
 One-session swiss team - midnight brunch  
 Judy Kay, TE-9-1499