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Cute Hands, with Uncle Tim

From Robert Sebesfi

It bears repeating that our game is won not by committing brilliancies, but by avoiding blunders.

Firstly, two hands on a similar theme:

(Teams Finals Open - Set 3 Board 4)

Brd 4	♠							
Dlr W	♥							
Vul All	♦							
	♣							
♠ A954		N		♠ QT62				
♥ 542		W	E	♥ J73				
♦ AKT63		S		♦ 2				
♣ 3				♣ AKJ82				
	♠							
	♥							
	♦							
	♣							

Auction proceeds:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1D (1)	Pass	1S	2H
3S	Pass	4S	All Pass

(1) Precision

On this board from set 3 of last week's Final , an accomplished declarer found himself at the helm in 4S E on the lead of the three top hearts, North following once, then, if his carding is to be believed, discarding D5 (encouraging) then C7 (odd count) .

After due consideration, South continues D9.

Declarer won DA , cashed SA, shrugged, then continued with DK, and a diamond , ruffing with the 6. This was deservedly over-ruffed with S7,

South continuing with H9 .North duly ruffed with SK and played a diamond back to promote the SJ for the third undertrick .

Had declarer won the first diamond, taken the club finesse , then played S to Ace and a spade up, he'd have made the same nine tricks made in the Closed Room and saved himself four IMPs (against 3S making for +140) in a desperately close match .

Full hand:

Brd 4	♠	K8						
Dlr W	♥	T						
Vul All	♦	QJ854						
	♣	QT976						
♠ A954		N		♠ QT62				
♥ 542		W	E	♥ J73				
♦ AKT63		S		♦ 2				
♣ 3				♣ AKJ82				
	♠	J73						
	♥	AKQ986						
	♦	97						
	♣	54						

The next hand sees our previous North asleep at the helm in match 2 of the Butler Pairs.

Tomorrow's Program (Tuesday 21st, 2015)

Championship Events

10am	ANC TBIB Butler Pairs Stage 2 Open, Women
10am	ANC Butler Pairs Seniors
10am	John Hughes ANC Swiss Pairs

Brd 22
Dlr E
Vul EW

♠ 87
♥ Q76
♦ T9863
♣ AK7

♠ J52
♥ A9
♦ KQ75
♣ Q982

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
		Pass	1D
Pass	1S	Pass	1NT
Pass	2C*	Pass	2S
Pass	4S	All pass	

*2C = Checkback

North is in Four Spades on the lead of D4 to 5, 6 and J. Declarer crossed at trick 2 to HA, and led back through a lazy West to his HJ and the King.

East duly received his two diamond ruffs, but, if our culprit rises with HQ, would have made all three ...

Full hand:

Brd 22
Dlr E
Vul EW

♠ AQT64
♥ J54
♦ AJ2
♣ JT

♠ 87
♥ Q76
♦ T9863
♣ AK7

♠ K93
♥ KT832
♦ 4
♣ 6543

♠ J52
♥ A9
♦ KQ75
♣ Q982

On another theme, a hand from the next round of the Butler allowed West to compensate for his earlier carelessness.

(Butler Pairs - Stage 1 Round 3 Board 10)

Brd 10
Dlr E
Vul All

♠ A5
♥ AKT952
♦ KJ2
♣ A3

♠ T3
♥ J84
♦ A76
♣ J9865

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
		Pass	Pass
1H	1S	2H*	Pass
4H	All Pass		

*2H= weakest possible 3-card raise

Plan the play on SK lead.

After winning SA at trick one, Declarer cashed HA, and was pleased to see both opponents follow.

I'd be interested in others' suggestions, but I believe that the best line for Declarer to ensure his contract is to cash CA, and continue with a second club.

As it happens, it continues CT - CJ - CQ. Declarer is now home, making even if South wins the club, can cash a spade bigger than the ten, and plays a heart - simply ducking, to set up two entries to set up the clubs.

No other exit hurts.

Full hand:

Brd 10
Dlr E
Vul All

♠ KQJ976
♥ 63
♦ Q4
♣ KT4

♠ A5
♥ AKT952
♦ KJ2
♣ A3

♠ T3
♥ J84
♦ A76
♣ J9865

♠ 842
♥ Q7
♦ T9853
♣ Q72

Happy Bridging!

Defend passively if side suit tricks cannot get away; defend aggressively if they can.

Reread this tip!

Eddie Kantar (Bridge Tips)

Pretend Double Squeeze

By Richard Fox

(Butler Pairs - Stage 1 Round 5)

Brd	7	♠	52						
Dlr	SW	♥	AQt43						
Vul	All	♦	JT62						
		♣	JT						
		♠	AQJ		N			♠	KT98763
		♥	K2		W		E	♥	J
		♦	AK75					♦	Q84
		♣	AK86			S		♣	95
		♠	4						
		♥	98765						
		♦	93						
		♣	Q7432						

In the Butler we faced seasoned campaigners Bruce Neill and Simon Hinge, and partner Sue Gammon opened 2C as West. I was close to positive 2S response but downgraded to 2D. Sue bid 3NT (24-25) and I blasted unscientifically 6S.

Simon (South) led to a club which I won, followed by the AQ of spades, and then for fun I tried for 13 tricks, muttering to the opponents that I was only looking for the overtrick.

I cashed a club, ruffed a club so LHO was the only one guarding clubs. Then I ran off spades, throwing dummy's hearts. Bruce was unable to keep the heart and the diamond guard, and he chose to ditch the ace then queen of hearts, making my jack good for the overtrick.

OK, not a true double squeeze – just a simple squeeze against whoever had the long diamonds.



Directors' Corner

In the last round of the Women's Butler after three boards had been played it was noticed that there was no Bridgmate on a particular table.

The Ladies checked their handbags, the floor and the rubbish bin and then realized that the Bridgmate had been passed to the next table instead of the boards. What makes this particularly intriguing is that the next table accepted it!!

MUZZ BUZZ Restricted Butler Pairs Winners



1st Lavy LIBMAN and Tomer LIBMAN



2nd Brodie LOXTON and Nanette LOXTON



3rd Clive HUNT and Inga HUNT

TBIB Butler Pairs – Stage 1

OPEN

	Pair	%
1	Justin HOWARD - Tony NUNN	147.47
2	Terry BROWN - Ron KLINGER	136.73
3	Joachim HAFFER - Robert SEBESFI	133.29
4	Nigel ROSENDORFF - Andrew MARKOVICS	127.69
5	Ron COOPER - Rhys COOPER	123.71
6	Gabi LORENTZ - Stephen BURGESS	122.78
7	David APPLETON - Peter REYNOLDS	121.74
8	Kitty MUNTZ - Leigh GOLD	119.84
9	Julian FOSTER - David WESTON	119.66
10	Tony HUTTON - Malcolm CARTER	118.76
11	Will JENNER-O'SHEA - Mike DOECKE	118.35
12	Tim MUNRO - Michael GEARING	117.97
13	Ian ROBINSON - Andrew BRAITHWAITE	114.21
14	Hugh GROSVENOR - Ann PATON	113.51
15	Margaret BOURKE - George KOZAKOS	112.04
16	Dave MUNRO - Pim BIRSS	109.83
17	Elizabeth ADAMS - Andrew PEAKE	109.77
18	John YANG - Eileen LI	109.44
19	Kevin STEFFENSEN - Neville FRANCIS	109.09
20	Pauline GUMBY - Warren LAZER	108.93
21	Christy GEROMBOUX - Sebastian YUEN	107.06
22	David BEAUCHAMP - Viv WOOD	106.93
23	Annette MALUSH - Andrew MILL	105.94
24	Mimi PACKER - Jonathan FREE	105.86
25	Renee COOPER - Johnno NEWMAN	104.57
26	Marlene WATTS - Michael PRESCOTT	103.85
27	Martin BLOOM - Peter GILL	102.85
28	Bruce NEILL - Simon HINGE	102.49
29	Joe QUITTNER - Liz QUITTNER	102.29
30	Rosalind TREND - Alan HARROP	102.22
31	Ken WILKS - Rosalie BROUGHTON	102.18
32	Moss WYLIE - Nick JACOB	102.1
33	Marjorie ASKEW - William POWELL	102.02
34	Ross HARPER - Paul LAVINGS	100.62
35	Gerry DALY - Trevor FULLER	99.67
36	David MATTHEWS - Chris INGHAM	99.18
37	Eva SAMUEL - Peter HOLLANDS	98.9
38	Deana WILSON - Kate SMITH	97.73

39	Kerry WOOD - Charles HOWARD	97.61
40	Daniel GEROMBOUX - Daryl WHITFIELD	96.92
41	John BEDDOW - Egmont MELTON	95.94
42	Matt SMITH - Francesca MCGRATH	95.38
43	George BILSKI - Nicky STRASSER	95.07
44	Allayne GRAY - Keith WIGNALL	94.52
45	Sue INGHAM - Michael WILKINSON	93.67
46	Jan KOCHMANSKI - Andrew SWIDER	93.53
47	Stella STEER - James STEER	92.78
48	Nigel DUTTON - Marie-France MERVEN	92.75
49	Maura RHODES - Rick RHODES	92.27
50	Bill NASH - James WALLIS	90.49
51	Beata BIEGANSKI - Tad BIEGANSKI	89.47
52	Zachary NEULINGER - Kirstyn FULLER	87.99
53	Connie SCHOUTROP - Terence O'DEMPSEY	87.05
54	Anton POL - Heather WILLIAMS	85.63
55	Richard FOX - Susanne GAMMON	85.04
56	Sheelagh DUPONT - Alfred DUPONT	81.55
57	Chris BAGLEY - Bruce FRASER	77.57
58	Geoffrey NORRIS - Pat KENNEDY	77.47
59	Chris MULLEY - Mitchell GARBUTT	75.94
60	Lynne ERRINGTON - Joanna TENNYSON	75.19
61	Satish BEDEKAR - Anthony EARDLEY	73.61
62	Ken ANDERSON - Lindy ANDERSON	71.62
63	Joan BARNETT - Mary JOHNSTON	66.4
64	Frank VEARING - Jo-Anne HEYWOOD	66.25
65	Tony MARTIN - Lee LEACH	63.58
66	Zenon OLSZEWSKI - Isabella GORSKI	63.44

WOMEN'S

	Pair	%
1	Paula MCLEISH - Pele RANKIN	126.23
2	Shizue FUTAESAKU - Jane REYNOLDS	125.97
3	Cynthia BELONOGOFF - Judy MOTT	117.5
4	Doreen JONES - Catherine HOOD	114.6
5	Inez GLANGER - Marcia SCUDDER	114.21
6	Deborah FRANKEL - Deidre GREENFELD	110.71
7	Marilyn CHADWICK - Toni SHARP	110.13
8	Shira SHILBURY - Pauline	109.59

	HAMMOND	
9	Jeannette COLLINS - Dianne MARLER	109.15
10	Jenny THOMPSON - Eva CAPLAN	105.19
11	Frances LYONS - Heather CUSWORTH	103.41
12	Carolyn MILLER - Janeen SOLOMON	99.35
13	Leone FULLER - Val BILTOFT	95.96
14	Elizabeth COOKE - Bridget COOKE	95.86
15	Allison STRALOW - Helen HELLSTEN	95.45
16	Cassie MORIN - Elizabeth MCNEILL	94.47
17	Nazife BASHAR - Kinga MOSES	92.57
18	Vivian ZOTTI - Therese GARBUTT	88.5
19	Penny STYLES - Patricia KING	88.22
20	Val HOPWOOD - Di HAWKE	86.98
21	Annabel BOOTH - Lauren SHIELS	85.19
22	Diana QUANTRILL - May SCHONWOLF	79.43
23	Jan BLIGHT - Linda BEDFORD-BROWN	78.24
24	Janet KAHLER - Gwen GRAY JAMIESON	73.09

Butler Stage 2 Qualifiers - Open

	Pair	
1	Justin HOWARD - Tony NUNN	
2	Terry BROWN - Ron KLINGER	
3	Joachim HAFFER - Robert SEBESFI	
4	Nigel ROSENDORFF - Andrew MARKOVICS	
5	Ron COOPER - Rhys COOPER	
6	Gabi LORENTZ - Stephen BURGESS	
7	David APPLETON - Peter REYNOLDS	
8	Kitty MUNTZ - Leigh GOLD	
9	Julian FOSTER - David WESTON	
10	Tony HUTTON - Malcolm CARTER	
11	Will JENNER-O'SHEA - Mike DOECKE	
12	Tim MUNRO - Michael GEARING	
13	Ian ROBINSON - Andrew BRAITHWAITE	
14	Hugh GROSVENOR - Ann PATON	
15	Margaret BOURKE - George KOZAKOS	
16	Dave MUNRO - Pim BIRSS	
17	Elizabeth ADAMS - Andrew PEAKE	
18	John YANG - Eileen LI	
19	Kevin STEFFENSEN - Neville FRANCIS	
20	Pauline GUMBY - Warren LAZER	

Butler Stage 2 Qualifiers - Women

	Pair	
1	Paula MCLEISH - Pele RANKIN	
2	Shizue FUTAESAKU - Jane REYNOLDS	
3	Cynthia BELONOGOFF - Judy MOTT	
4	Doreen JONES - Catherine HOOD	
5	Inez GLANGER - Marcia SCUDDER	
6	Deborah FRANKEL - Deidre GREENFELD	
7	Marilyn CHADWICK - Toni SHARP	
8	Shira SHILBURY - Pauline HAMMOND	
9	Jeannette COLLINS - Dianne MARLER	
10	Jenny THOMPSON - Eva CAPLAN	
11	Frances LYONS - Heather CUSWORTH	
12	Carolyn MILLER - Janeen SOLOMON	
13	Leone FULLER - Val BILTOFT	
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18	Annabel BOOTH - Lauren SHIELS	
19	Jan BLIGHT - Linda BEDFORD-BROWN	
20	Janet KAHLER - Gwen GRAY JAMIESON	

Muzz Buzz Restricted Butler

	Pair	%
1	Lavy LIBMAN - Tomer LIBMAN	124.52
2	Nanette LOXTON - Brodie LOXTON	120.37
3	Clive HUNT - Inga HUNT	117.91
4	Ian ROWLANDS - Peter MCCANN	116.94
5	Gillian SHANKS - Michael HALFPENNY	113.64
6	Steven PYNT - Dave SLOAN	110.48
7	Margaret PLUNKETT - Albert LOH	105.61
8	Beatrice MCCARTHY - Peta FUHRMANN	105.49
9	Bhavna PATEL - Nilesh PATEL	104.3
10	Hamid SADIGH - Siamak PARSANEJAD	103.81
11	Jocelyn CURNOW - Suzanne JOHN	103.4
12	Edward ROSCOE - Joan SCHNEIDER	102.24
13	Marcey SPILSBURY - Meredith GOODLET	101.51
14	John PEARSON - Terry PEARSON	101.03
15	Esther SAUNDERS - Colin SAUNDERS	100.43
16	Carla SULLIVAN - Kate PINNIGER	97.59

17	Paul O'HARE - Denis UPSALL	96.97
18	Anita DAVIS - Sheila PRYCE	96.68
19	Michael RANGLES - Benjamin SADLER	95.65
20	Helen COOK - Debbie CHAPPELL	94.24
21	Paul BRAKE - Shelley ALLEN	93.89
22	Lisa CUSACK - Jane HENDERSON	93.49
23	Stephen THYER - Peter CLARKE	92.47
24	Chris GIRVAN - Darryl SMITH	92.13
25	Martin BROOME - Valerie BROOME	91.42
26	Gwyneira BRAHMA - Geza SULYKOS	90.79
27	Jinny FUSS - Maureen WILSON	88.77
28	Jo WHITE - Neville KOENIG	87.44
29	Keith MITCHELL - Lesley GUNSON	86.82
30	Rachel SHAVE - Shana SMITH	85.35
31	Jill WILLIAMS - Simon WILLIAMS	85.33
32	Jamie PATERSON - Garth SCOTFORD	83.22
33	Anne CORMACK - Denise MCEWAN	81.42
34	Fred BARLOW - Lyn BARLOW	80.48

35	Gwen WILES - Mark DOUST	79.72
36	Sam CRAIG - Peter SUMNER	78.21
37	Dominique RALLIER - Angela ROBERTS	77.99
38	Deborah GREENWAY - Wearda PRINGLE	75.78
39	Robina MCCONNELL - Alan DUNDAS	75.03
40	Janet ANNEAR - Carolyn MCCUSKER	74.73
41	Margaret MARTIN - Sandy GARBER	74.38
42	Zbigniew BALICKI - Zbigniew TULEJA	72.73
43	Rose MOORE - Linda COLI	72.37
44	Diane SMITH - Rodney BRYANT	71.7
45	Kitty GEORGE - Rhona BARTON	61.93
46	Lyn REDMAN - Louise COWAN	56.73
47	Pip BURNETT - Gracie STEELE SCOTT	52.95
48	Marion BOGUE - Faye CULLEN	49.92

MUZZ BUZZ Restricted Butler Pairs Winners



4th Ian ROWLANDS and Peter McCANN



5th Michael HALFPENNY and Gillian SHANKS
with Tournament Organiser Sheenagh YOUNG and
Steve PYNT representing sponsor Muzz Buzz