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Canberra Saturday January 17th 2009

Session Times Saturday & Sunday

Saturday Teams – starts 10 am

Saturday Pairs

11.00am 3.00pm 7.30pm

Sunday Teams Finals – start 10 am

Sunday Swiss Pairs

11.00am 2.00pm 7.30pm

Qualifiers for knock-out Stages of the Seniors & Women's Teams Championships

Women's – Semi-Finals on Saturday, Finals on Sunday

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| 1 | Hoffman 167 | 2 | Jagelman 159 |
| 3 | Lowry 158 | 4 | Moses 157 |

Seniors – Six Team Round-Robin on Saturday, Final on Sunday

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| 1 | Lavings 180 | 2 | Hoffman 176 |
| 3 | Ashworth 168 | 4 | Neill 164 |
| 5 | Newman 162 | 6 | Urbach 160 |



Tim Bourke's Problem

4. MINOR MIRACLES

Dealer West. N-S Vul.

NORTH

♠ J 10 5 3 2

♥ A K 7 6

♦ 10 5

♣ A 3

SOUTH

♠ A K Q

♥ 5 4

♦ A Q J 8 4

♣ Q 5 4

West	North	East	South
2NT*	Pass	3♣	Double
Pass	4♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♥	Pass	6NT
All pass			

* 5-5 in the minors, 6 to 9 points.

West leads the nine of hearts against this dashing slam. After winning the ace of hearts you cross to the ace of spades and West follows suit. How do you plan the rest of the play?

Summer Festival Bus Route

- Kingston Terrance Apartments – 16 Eyre Street, Kingston (cnr Leichardt Street)
- Pinnacle Apartments – 11 Ovens Street Kingston
- Kingston Apartments – 4 Tench Street Kingston
- Hyatt Hotel - Commonwealth Ave - [Pickup is at back of Hotel](#)
- NCC
- Olims Hotel – Cnr Ainslie & Limestone Ave
- Capital Executive Apartments . [Pickup at Marque Hotel](#)
- Quality Suites Clifton on Northbourne – - [Pickup at Marque Hotel](#)
- Medina Apartments
- NCC
- Liversidge Court, ANU
- University House - Pickup on Liversidge Street
- Rydges Lakeside Hotel
- Capitol Tower Apartments (pickup at Rydges Lakeside)
- NCC

The Bus Route Times

Kingston	60 minutes before the 1 st session of the day
Hyatt Hotel	50 minutes before the 1 st session of the day
Olims Hotel	40 minutes before the 1 st session of the day
Marque Hotel	35 minutes before the 1 st session of the day
Medina Apartments	35 minutes before the 1 st session of the day
Liversidge Court	20 minutes before the 1 st session of the day
Rydges Lakeside Hotel	15 minutes before the 1 st session of the day

Times are approximate – please be at one of the pickup points at least 5 minutes before the scheduled departure from that stop

Tim Bourke's Problem – Solution

As you (HAVE) eleven certain tricks, your plan for developing a twelfth should be based on West holding the king of clubs. Suppose the full deal is something like this:

<p>♠ J 10 5 3 2 ♥ A K 7 6 ♦ 10 5 ♣ A 3</p> <p>♠ 9 ♥ 9 3 ♦ K 9 7 6 2 ♣ K J 10 8 2</p> <p>♠ A K Q ♥ 5 4 ♦ A Q J 8 4 ♣ Q 5 4</p>	<p>♠ 8 7 6 4 ♥ Q J 10 8 2 ♦ 3 ♣ 9 7 6</p>
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One of the equivalent approaches* on this layout is to cash the ♠K-Q, cross to dummy with a heart to the king, which will remove West's last major suit card, and to then lead the ten of diamonds. If West takes his king of diamonds he will be endplayed, with only minor suit cards left. If he leads a diamond next, you will make five spades, four diamonds, two hearts and a club while on a club exit you will make five spades, two hearts, three diamonds and two clubs.

If West ducks the ten of diamonds, you will play a diamond to the jack. Again if West takes it, he must give you your twelfth trick in whichever minor suit he returns and if he ducks you will play the eight of diamonds next, to finally endplay West for a minor suit return.

I hope your not plan did not include cashing both the jack and ten of spades before leading the ten of diamonds! (You can spare a low club on the jack of spades but you would soon discover that there is no winning discard from your hand if you decide to cash the ten of spades too.)

* Alternatively, on the given deal, you could just lead the five of diamonds provided you kept at least one spade winner in hand. However, the suggested plan also works when West has opened two no trumps without the king of diamonds.



*The three generations of the Glass family who are contesting the Life Masters' Teams.
Brett, Eric and Tyrel*

Top Table Action

Friday morning saw table one in the Seniors' being occupied by the Newman and Lavings teams. Ron Klinger and David Newman opposed Terry Brown and Paul Wyer while Bobby Richman / George Gaspar faced Robert Grynberg and Tom Moss.

Board 1 saw George and Terry put to the question on the opening lead. George was successful, Terry wasn't but was this reasonable? You judge.



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Winners of the 0 – 149 Teams

Dan Phelan, Alan Farrington, George Swarbek and Ken Tenner

1	♠ A732	Dir: N
	♥ AK	Vul: None
	♦ Q10984	
	♣ Q2	
♠ K65	♠ J10984	
♥ J864	♥ AK6	
♦ J2	♦ 98765	
♣ KJ104	♣ Q	
15	♥ Q1097532	♣♦♥♠NT
9 8	♦ 753	N - 2 3 - -
8	♣ A3	S - 2 3 - -
		E 4 - - 4 -
		W 4 - - 4 2

Paul opened 1NT and David put in 2♠ to show 5-5 in spades and a minor. Terry bid the heart game. Ron led a small spade and it was decision time – as East has five spades to West’s three – probability suggests that you should fly the Ace. Terry did and the four-nil trump break saw him one off.

After a similar auction, George ran the spade lead to his Queen and was now able to avoid a club loser.

Board 5 saw Lady Luck smile rather more kindly on Terry

5	♠ J5	Dir: N
	♥ K5	Vul: N-S
	♦ J104	
	♣ AKQ632	
♠ AK106	♠ 8742	
♥ QJ102	♥ 3	
♦ 875	♦ Q62	
♣ 94	♣ J10875	
14	♠ Q93	♣♦♥♠NT
10 3	♥ A98764	N 3 4 3 - 4
13	♦ AK93	S 3 4 3 - 4
	♣	E - - - -
		W - - - -

Paul Wyr opened 1♣ as dealer and Terry responded the obvious 1♥. Paul repeated his clubs and Terry introduced diamonds. This gave Paul something of a problem which he attempted to solve by bidding 2♠. He was, no doubt, delighted to hear Terry subsequently describe this as “a three card suit with some good stuff in it” – about as accurate a description as a politician’s justifications.

Heartened by this cover of his spade inadequacy, Terry bid the nine trick game. He was slightly taken aback by the sight of dummy but, with the ♦Q onside, Paul’s ♠J proved to be just enough “good stuff”.

Board 8 saw David Hoffman forced into an awkward guess by a pre-empt from Paul. The dealing machine and the defence punished him severely for getting it wrong.

How would you do?

You hold at nil vulnerability

♠ Q 8 7 ♥ A 9 8 3 2 ♦ K 6 ♣ Q 4 2

Your partner opens a nebulous club and lho overcalls 4♦. Your move?

David tried 4♥ which Terry doubled with almost unholy glee.

8	♠ 4	Dir: W	
	♥	Vul: None	
	♦ AQ108532		
	♣ 109875		
♠ J1052	♠ Q87		
♥ Q65	♥ A9832		
♦ J97	♦ K6		
♣ AK3	♣ Q42		
6	♠ AK963	♣♦♥♠NT	
11 11	♥ KJ1074	N 2 3 - - -	
12	♦ 4	S 2 3 - - -	
	♣ J6	E - - 1 1 2	
		W - - 1 1 2	

Terry led the Ace of spades and was affronted by the sight of the ♥Q being placed in dummy. He switched to his diamond and ruffed the diamond return. The ♠K came next for Paul to discard a club. Somewhat optimistically, Terry continued a further spade which Paul ruffed flamboyantly – with a small diamond. Terry then put David out of his misery with a defensive claim for two more trump tricks – just -500 for getting the decision wrong over the 4♦ bid.

This table had started with Board 11 and Terry and Paul might have done well to heed a tip which I once heard Seamus Browne offer a New Zealand woman international – “Always play the first board of the day in a part score.”

Terry and Paul didn't and Ron made them pay with a killing lead.

Try your luck at matching Ron Klinger. At nil vul, you hold

♠ 10 7 3 ♥ Q J 10 9 8 3 ♦ 9 ♣ K 9 5

The auction (with you West) is

West	North	East	South
			1♦
2♥	4NT	P	5♥
P	6♦	End	

Your choice of lead is?

Ron found a small club – the effect was devastating on this layout.

11	♠ 6	Dir: S	
	♥ AK762	Vul: None	
	♦ KQ862		
	♣ 106		
♠ 1073	♠ AQJ42		
♥ QJ10983	♥ 5		
♦ 9	♦ 54		
♣ K95	♣ QJ842		
12	♠ K985	♣♦♥♠NT	
6 10	♥ 4	N - 5 1 - 2	
12	♦ AJ1073	S - 5 1 - 2	
	♣ A73	E 1 - - 2 -	
		W 1 - - 2 -	

There was just no way to avoid a club loser to go with the ♠A. On a non-club lead, a spade towards the closed hand would establish the King for a club pitch.

Then David picked up a very nice looking hand only to find himself being pushed around by Paul, yet again.

14	♠ J84	Dir: E	
	♥ 85	Vul: None	
	♦ 10		
	♣ AKJ10843		
♠ Q7532	♠ A		
♥ 92	♥ AKQJ10764		
♦ 952	♦ KJ3		
♣ 752	♣ Q		
9	♠ K1096	♣♦♥♠NT	
2 20	♥ 3	N 4 3 - 3 -	
9	♦ AQ8764	S 4 3 - 3 -	
	♣ 96	E - - 3 - -	
		W - - 3 - -	

David opened 2♣ as East and Terry stuck in 2♦. Ron passed and Paul raised the ante to 3♦. David bid the heart game but Paul still wasn't finished and pushed again with 5♣. As can be seen, this only goes one off but David was after bigger fish and bid 5♥.

A club lead to Paul's Ace saw a diamond return. Terry took his Queen and Ace and then gave Paul a ruff in the suit for a snappy two off.

Strip For Action

Jimmy Wallis was doubly pleased by this one from the Last Train when the opponents pushed him uncomfortably high. Doubly pleased because he avoided the killing lead and then because he found a strip squeeze to bring home his contract.

	♠ A K Q 9 7 2	
	♥ A J 6	
	♦ K 2	
	♣ 8 2	
♠		♠ 8 6 5 4
♥ K 10 7 4	W N E	♥ 9 8
♦ Q 9 8 7 6		♦ A J 5 4 3
♣ K Q J 9	S	♣ 6 4
	♠ J 10 3	
	♥ Q 5 3 2	
	♦ 10	
	♣ A 10 7 5 3	
LT 4/18	Dealer E	Vul NS

Richard Hills opened 1♦ after two passes and Jimmy doubled. Chris Quail raised to 2♦ and Siggy Konig doubled. Richard raised again - 3♦ and Jimmy bid the spade game. Chris pushed on with 5♦ and Siggy went to 5♠.

It looks like a club lead would kill this but, naturally enough, Chris led his ♦A. He switched to a spade which Jimmy took on table to facilitate a successful finesse of the ♥J. He now set to work on the trumps – cashing the remaining five. This left

	♠	♠
	♥ A 6	♥ 9
	♦ K	♦ J 5
	♣ 8 2	♣ 6 4
♠	W N E	♠
♥ K 10		♥
♦		♦
♣ K Q J	S	♣
	♠	
	♥ Q 5 3	
	♦	
	♣ A 10	

Richard was in the tunnel and could see the train coming but there was nowhere to hide. Jimmy cashed his ♦K, forcing Richard to pitch the Jack of clubs. A club to the Ace and club off table saw Richard end-played in hearts.

		
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Winners of the 0 – 49 Teams

John Donovan, John Jeffrey, Beatrice Dickson and Alex Hewit

In All The Books

It tells you “When you realise that there’s a misfit – stop bidding.” New Zealand Youth international Michael Whibley ignored this advice and managed to end-play his opponents to make his game.

	♠ A K Q 8 6										
	♥ A K 10 6 4										
	♦ 7 4										
	♣ 3										
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♣ A 9 5 2		♣ 10 6 4									
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	♥ 9 3										
	♦ Q J 10 6 5 3										
	♣ K Q J 8 7										
LT 7/11	Dealer S	Vul Nil									

Kim Morrison found the lead of the ♥Q which Michael took with the Ace. He played a small diamond which David Weston, perforce took with the Ace. A major suit switch looked most unattractive so David continued the ♣10. Michael covered and Kim ducked. The ♦J came next, taken by Kim with the King as David discarded a spade. The sole communication between the open and closed hands was a heart in this position.

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

The auction commenced

West	North	East	South
P	1♠	P	2♦
P	2♥	P	3♦
P	3♥	P	

Kim continued the ♠J which Michael took to play the other two top spades. Michael played the fourth round to put Kim back on play holding only minor suit cards which re-opened communication in a southerly direction.

By which stage, Michael certainly had the message about the misfit but, undeterred, he found 3NT.



Winners of the Non-Life Masters Teams
Mike Fox, Yolanda Carter, John Kelly and Pat Bugler

A Wee Doze (or Two)

On another hand from the Last Train, West found an excellent lead which threatened to defeat the contract. Sadly, he then fell asleep – and compounded by missing two more problematic opportunities to rectify his error.

	♠ Q 5		
	♥ A K J		
	♦ Q 9 5		
	♣ J 10 7 4 3		
♠ K 7		♠ 10 8 4	
♥ 10 8 7 3		♥ Q 6 5 4 2	
♦ K J 8 6 4 2		♦ 10 3	
♣ K		♣ A 9 6	
	♠ A J 9 6 3 2		
	♥ 9		
	♦ A 7		
	♣ Q 8 5 2		
LT 7/15	Dealer S	Vul NS	

South opened 1♠ and West put in 2♦. North made a negative double and South repeated his spades. North tried with a 3♦ enquiry and South was happy to oblige with 3NT.

West led the ♥10! South gave this a great deal of thought before finally finessing. East returned the suit and West was given a clue to the distribution of hearts when South discarded a spade. Unhesitatingly, he unblocked the ♥2(!) and East's long heart was on the way to the recycle bin.

Declarer took the heart on table and ran the Jack of clubs to West's King. A third round of hearts was played. Declarer played another club which was ducked by East and West discarded a diamond (passing up the chance to get the blocking heart out of the way – though in all fairness, at this stage he didn't know about partner's ♣A.) he still didn't know about this when declarer continued another club and so he discarded another diamond. Finally, East took his Ace of clubs and played the ♥5 to West's 7; kissing goodbye to the trick taking potential of his ♥6 as he did so.

In the normal course of events, I am only too happy to name names when an expert makes

a mistake of this type but Kim Morrison is a really nice guy and so wild horses won't drag his name from me.

(Oops)



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National Non Life Teams FINAL - 2009

Place	Team	Name	Score
1	12	Kelly	163
2	4	Munro	152
3	13	Hurst	142
4	16	Kassam	137
5	10	O'Brien	135
6	15	Lisle	129
7	11	Dalziell	129
8	3	Jowett	127
9	9	Knight	126
10	17	Cook	125
11	7	Wylie	125
12	2	Richmond	120
13	20	Kelshiker	117
14	8	Humphery	110
15	14	Perrin	109
16	1	Gadd	107
17	19	Kite	105
18	5	Forrest	100
19	21	Waight	100
20	18	Geromboux	97
21	6	Mitchell	80
22	22	House Teams	71

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National Novice Teams FINAL - 2009

Place	Team	Name	Score
1	3	Skarbek	153
2	6	Aquino	151
3	13	Breden	151
4	7	Nilsson	138
5	9	Jacka	135
6	2	Beer	135
7	4	Weir	128
8	1	McRae	128
9	8	Hollands	125
10	15	Hansen	124
11	23	Jeffrey	123
12	21	Ashcroft	123
13	25	Ma	121
14	5	Higgins	121
15	10	Willis	118
16	11	Nehmy	118
17	14	Bednarz	117
18	26	House Teams	113
19	12	Gooding	110
20	17	Marriott	109
21	18	Carson	107
22	22	Balkin	104
23	20	Farmer	100
24	19	Devlin	84
25	16	Donald	84
26	24	Macklow	34

Summer Festival

National Women's Teams - 2009

Place	Team	Name	Score
1	3	Hoffman	167
2	2	Jagelman	159
3	5	Lowry	158
4	6	Moses	157
5	4	Havas	154
6	1	Bourke	151
7	9	Evans	149
8	12	Stephens	147
9	13	Mott	147
10	17	Hopwood	146
11	10	Tishler	145
12	7	Millar	145
13	8	Adams	143
14	11	McKinnon	142
15	25	Thomson	136
16	26	Howell	135
17	16	McCartney	131
18	23	Yuill	130
19	14	Carmichael	128
20	22	Van Der Hor	124
21	29	Halmos	124
22	15	May	122
23	21	Guttman	121
24	19	Samuel	118
25	28	Kotkin	115
26	20	Darley	114
27	18	Abbenbroek	112
28	27	Kilvert	100
29	24	Obenchain	91
30	30	House Teams	87

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National Life Master Teams - 2009

Place	Team	Name	Score
1	18	Fraser	166
2	17	Glass	159
3	3	Ferguson	154
4	5	Bugeia	150
5	13	Lane	148
6	1	Hecker	141
7	15	Gray	141
8	11	O'Connor	139
9	10	Stephens	139
10	7	Waizer	137
11	6	Butcher	136
12	9	White	134
13	2	Lewin	120
14	16	Hill	116
15	14	Moss	115
16	4	Bourke	113
17	8	Miller	109
18	12	Kelly	100

Summer Festival

National Senior's Teams - 2009

Place	Team	Name	Score
1	4	Lavings	180
2	2	Hoffman	176
3	9	Ashworth	168
4	1	Neill	164
5	3	Newman	162
6	10	Urbach	160
7	32	Afflick	154
8	18	Miller	153
9	5	Bloom	153
10	14	Livingston	151
11	16	Smee	150
12	8	Hutton	150
13	28	Colmer	149
14	17	Reiner	149
15	46	Glasson	148
16	24	Kalmin	147
17	20	Danta	146
18	49	Fallet	146
19	7	Robbins	145
20	23	Johnman	143
21	12	Crichton	143
22	27	Lindsay	142
23	38	Crockett	141
24	15	Kahler	138
25	6	Stuart	137
26	19	Milward	137
27	11	Dudley	136
28	41	Mangos	136
29	13	Strong	134
30	30	Briscoe	134
31	45	Young	134
32	25	Russ	133
33	51	Tulpule	131
34	60	Rhodes	131
35	29	Barva	130
36	44	Edwards	129
37	21	Pick	129
38	42	Seymour	127
39	31	Mitchell	127

Place	Team	Name	Score
40	53	Daglish	126
41	47	Thompson	126
42	26	Kefford	124
43	37	Rothwell	124
44	36	Storr	124
45	35	Stavik	123
46	59	Carmody	122
47	33	Hardie	120
48	34	Ashton	119
49	22	East	117
50	52	Slaughter	116
51	56	O'Toole	114
52	43	Jeffery	114
53	55	Hanna	109
54	40	Dixon	108
55	48	Logan	107
56	57	Gilbert	107
57	39	Mellings	105
58	50	Courtemanche	100
59	54	Cariola	98
60	58	Hitchcock	82

Summer Festival

Open Last Train Round 8 - 2009

Place	Team	Name	Score
1	1	I Robinson, A De Livera	159
2	5	M Whibley, L Milne	151
3	11	N Van Vucht, R Van Der Hoek	132
4	8	S Burgess, C Boylson	131
5	3	P Gosney, M Wilkinson	130
6	2	T Burke, M Prescott	127
7	6	M Abraham, L Mitchell	125
8	17	P Livesey, M Pemberton	123
9	7	D Geromboux, M Porter	123
10	14	R Hills, C Quail	123
11	13	N Dutton, M Merven	121
12	16	G Finikiotis, P Gallasch	119
13	4	K Morrison, D Weston	119
14	19	D McLeish, P McLeish	119
15	10	B Waters, G Jesner	118
16	9	S Konig, J Wallis	118
17	18	C Ritter, C Mill	118
18	12	M Bookallil, S Fischer	110
19	22	T O'Loughlin, M Fairlamb	105
20	15	N Francis, A Maluish	104
21	20	E Lindh, P Phillips	91
22	21	P Beaton, P Carter	66