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Tim Bourke's Problem

11. SURPLUS

Dealer East. E-W Vul.

NORTH

♠ Q J 7 5 3 2

♥ Q 10

♦ 5 2

♣ Q J 3

SOUTH

♠ 6

♥ A J 9 8 5 3

♦ A Q J 8 4

♣ 4

West	North	East	South
		1♠	2♠*
3♣ ⁺	Pass	4♣	4♥
Pass	Pass	Double	All pass

* Michaels, promising 5+ hearts and a 5-card minor
+ non-forcing

West leads the king of clubs, asking for a count signal, and East play the two of clubs to indicate an odd number of cards in the suit. After some thought, West continues with the ace of clubs. Given that East will have both of the red-suit kings, how must the cards lie if you are to make eleven tricks?



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Tim Bourke's Problem

SOLUTION

It is fairly clear that West has a void in spades, otherwise he would play one. This gives East six spades and three clubs, from the count signal at trick one. You need the full deal to be similar to this one:

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

And on this layout the only winning option is to discard the six of spades on the ace of clubs. This will see West endplayed. If he continues with a club, dummy's queen wins the trick while you throw a low diamond from hand. Next you will call for dummy's queen of trumps. If East ducks, there are two ways home, the easiest of which is to take the diamond finesse, cash the ace of diamonds and ruff the eight of diamonds with dummy's ten of trumps. East will overruff with the king but that will be the last trick for the defence: you will ruff the spade exit high, draw trumps and claim eleven tricks.

If East covers the queen of trumps, draw a second round of trumps with dummy's ten and then take the diamond finesse. After drawing trumps, you will cash the ace of diamond, felling East's king. Eventually, you will lose a trick to the ten of diamonds but

you will have made six tricks in trumps, four in diamonds and one in clubs.

If West plays a diamond at trick three, you will take tricks with the ace and queen of diamonds and then ruff a diamond in dummy. East will overruff with the king of trumps but that will be the last defensive trick.

A trump exit from West at trick three will see you play along much the same lines as on a club continuation.

N.O.T. Quarter Finals – Set 1

Where Peter Gill (West) and Sartaj Hans of the Bloom team faced David Beauchamp (South) and Nathan van Jole, things were very quiet for 3 boards with just overtrick imps changing hands. Meanwhile Nick Jacob (East) and Glen Coutts were playing Bill Jacobs (North) and Ben Thomson)

Although board 3 saw only a single imp change hands, Nick was living dangerously.

3		♠ AQJ54	Dir: S																														
		♥ Q2	Vul: E-W																														
		♦ J97																															
		♣ AQ6																															
♠ 7		♠ 8632																															
♥ J9873		♥ A6																															
♦ 85		♦ AK6432																															
♣ 109854		♣ 7																															
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Ben opened 1NT and North transferred with a 2♥ call. Nick stepped in with a 3♦ vulnerable overcall. This was passed back to Bill, who had the best hand at the table. After some thought he bid 3NT with ♦Jxx.

And although South had ♠KT9, he thought his ♦Q would help in no trumps so he passed – making 430.

Board 4 saw Bloom make the first real gain.

4	♠ K8	Dlr: W
	♥ K1074	Vul: Both
	♦ 86	
	♣ K9532	
♠ J752	♠ Q103	
♥ J932	♥ AKQ10754	
♦ 93	♦ QJ4	
♣ A86		
9	♠ A964	♠ ♣ ♥ ♦ NT
6 14	♥ AQ865	N 2 - 4 - -
11	♦ J2	S 2 - 4 - -
	♣ 107	E - 3 - -
		W - 3 - 1 -

In the other room, East West tried their luck in 3NT. This went one down which suggests that the defence was less than optimal.

David and Nathan ensured that this would not be repeated with hearts being bid from both sides of the table to the three level. Forewarned, Sartaj settled in a peaceful 4♦ contract and made 10 tricks in some comfort.

Meanwhile, Nick was still concentrating on diamonds. He opened 1♦ after two passes. South called a 1♥, Glen doubled and Bill called 3♦ - a heart raise. Nick now leapt to 5♦. North-South couldn't arrange the spade ruff and this was only one off.

Then came a hand on which diamonds were not so friendly:

5	♠ QJ94	Dlr: N
	♥ KQ7	Vul: N-S
	♦ Q1098	
	♣ Q8	
♠ K82	♠ 107653	
♥ J9654	♥ 3	
♦ A10653	♦ KJ543	
	♣ K9	
12	♠ A	♠ ♣ ♥ ♦ NT
8 7	♥ A1082	N 1 2 1 - 2
13	♦ A762	S 1 2 1 - 2
	♣ J742	E - - 1 -
		W - - 1 -

Nathan opened 1♦ and Sartaj overcalled 1♠. David doubled and Peter raised spades via a 3♦ bid. Nathan passed and Sartaj settled for 3♠. David doubled and Nathan called 4♦ when 3NT looks like a fair shot. This ran round to Sartaj who doubled.

He led his singleton heart which Nathan ran to the Queen. He played a spade to the Ace and led a diamond off table. Peter's club discard saw Nathan play the 8 and Sartaj win with the Jack. He switched to a spade which was ruffed on table and a club was taken by Peter's Ace, Sartaj took a heart ruff and played another spade to reduce dummy to the stiff Ace of trumps. Nathan played a club to his Queen and Sartaj's King. Sartaj put declarer on table with the trump Ace and ruffed the club continuation. He still had the ♦K so that came to 1100. Meanwhile, Martin Bloom and Tony Nunn were going one off in 3NT but still collected 14 imps

In the Milne-Ewart match the board was pushed in 3NT but Lorentz picked up 13 against Bourke by making 3NT with 2 overs in one room while David Hoffman and Margaret Bourke were languishing at a lower level after this auction:

West	David	East	Margaret
	1NT	2♦	X
2♠	P	P	X
P	3♦		

David managed 8 tricks but still lost 13 imps.

In the fourth match, undeterred by the previous two boards, Nick was still all about diamonds. North opened 1NT and Nick overcalled 2♠. South called 2NT and West bid 3♠, which was passed back to South and South doubled. North had a nearly insoluble problem – he had to decide whether to pass for penalties or bid 3NT – he chose the latter after considerable thought. However, when this went round to Glen, he doubled, probably thinking that Nick actually had his bid. Now South had a rethink and redoubled – looking for a better spot perhaps – there wasn't one. North bid 4♣ and South bid 5♣. Glen was not unhappy about this development and doubled. Bill now had to play 5♣x with Q8 opposite J742 and did well to keep the damage to “only” 1100.

The next major swing came two boards later.

7	♠ A86 ♥ Q986 ♦ AQ4 ♣ 1072	<i>Dir: S</i> <i>Vul: Both</i>																														
♠ KJ105 ♥ K7652 ♦ AKJ5 ♣ 12 15 5 8	♠ 9432 ♥ AJ542 ♦ 83 ♣ 43																															
	♠ Q7 ♥ K1073 ♦ J109 ♣ Q986																															
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Peter declared the spade game and Nathan led a trump. Peter cleared trumps, ending in East and led a diamond to the King and Ace. Nathan switched to a heart and Peter took dummy's Ace. He played a second



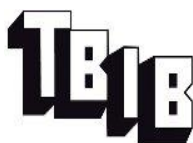
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diamond and ruffed the heart return in hand. An even diamond break and a successful club finesse now saw him home. Declarer in the other room was less successful, only making 9 tricks in the same contract. A peaceful lull before the next minefield hit the field.

10	♠ J84 ♥ 4 ♦ KQ8752 ♣ AQ9	Dir: E Vul: Both				
♠ 963 ♥ Q9653 ♦ 3 ♣ 7642	♠ Q752 ♥ J8 ♦ J10964 ♣ J8					
12 2 5 21	♠ AK10 ♥ AK1072 ♦ A ♣ K1053					
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W - - - -						

This time it was Lorentz and Bourke who must have wondered what all the fuss was about.

David Beauchamp opened the South hand 2♣ and Nathan showed his positive response and his suit with a 3♦ call. David showed his hearts and Nathan repeated diamonds. That sent David to Keycard and a two keycards plus the trump Queen response sent David all the way to 7♦ - Sartaj wisely followed Brer Rabbit's example and lay low, saying nuffin.



It didn't take long for Nathan to concede two down. Tony and Martin were making 6NT so that was a juicy 17 imps. Milne duplicated this result against Ewart.

Both David and Nathan pushed a little on board 14. Their combined efforts saw them overboard.

14		Dir: E Vul: None	
♠ 8	♠ J63	♠ Q942	
♥ K108	♥ AQ92	♥ J753	
♦ 753	♦ A862	♦ KJ109	
♣ AKQ752	♣ 64	♣ 3	
11	♠ AK1075		♣♦♥♠NT
12	♥ 64		N - - 1 2 2
7	♦ Q4		S - - 1 2 2
10	♣ J1098		E 1 - - - -
			W 1 - - - -

David opened 1♣ on his 10 count and Peter put in a 3♣ call. Nathan closed proceedings with 4♣.

Peter cashed his two top clubs and led a third round. David ruffed with dummy's Jack but was over-ruffed. Sartaj exited with a trump and David tried to ruff a club with dummy's 6 but again Sartaj over-ruffed. David still had to concede a trick to the ♦K and so was two down. Martin and Tony had stopped at the three level, making for another 6 imps. At this stage, the Beauchamp team was down by 55 to 2 but the tail wagged on the last.penultimate board.

15		Dir: S Vul: N-S	
♠ A	♠ Q6432	♠ J87	
♥ KJ7632	♥ A95	♥ 108	
♦ QJ84	♦ 3	♦ 107652	
♣ K6	♣ 10742	♣ J85	
6	♠ K1095		♣♦♥♠NT
14	♥ Q4		N 4 - - 4 2
2	♦ AK9		S 5 - - 5 2
18	♣ AQ93		E - 1 1 - -
			W - 1 1 - -

David and Nathan were quickly in game.

West	North	East	South
2♥	x	P	1♣
			4♣

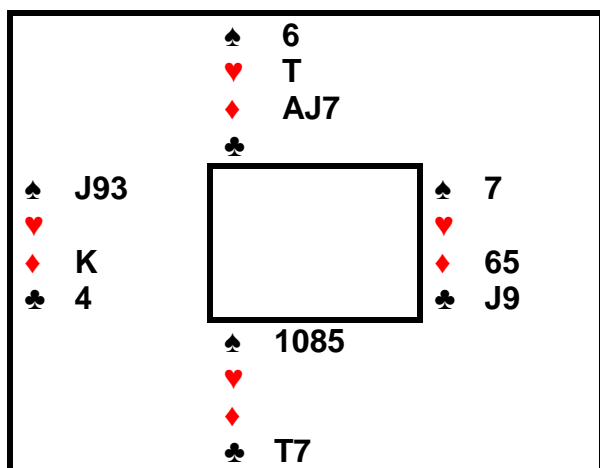
The ♦Q was led, taken in the closed hand. David played a small trump and Peter was in with the Ace. In what looks like a desperate attempt to beat the game, Peter now led the ♣K and all David's troubles were over – not that he had many worries to begin with.

The last board of the set was interesting. DeepFinesse has slam available. Only one pair bid the slam and were within touching distance of making 6NT only to go down at the last minute. Only the NZ Youth players Nick Jacob and Glenn Coutts managed to bring home 12 tricks.

16		Dir: W Vul: E-W	
♠ AJ93	♠ 64	♠ Q7	
♥ J43	♥ 109652	♥ AKQ8	
♦ K83	♦ AJ72	♦ Q65	
♣ A43	♣ Q2	♣ KJ98	
7	♠ K10852		♣♦♥♠NT
13	♥ 7		N - - - - -
17	♦ 1094		S - - - - -
3	♣ 10765		E 5 3 5 3 6
			W 5 3 5 3 6

Where I watched, a heart was led by South and a club continued to dummy's Ace and a

club back to the Queen and King. The ♠Q was led covered by the King and Ace and a diamond led to the Queen, North ducking. A heart was played to the Jack and then a club to the Jack. Declarer cashed the top hearts to bring about:



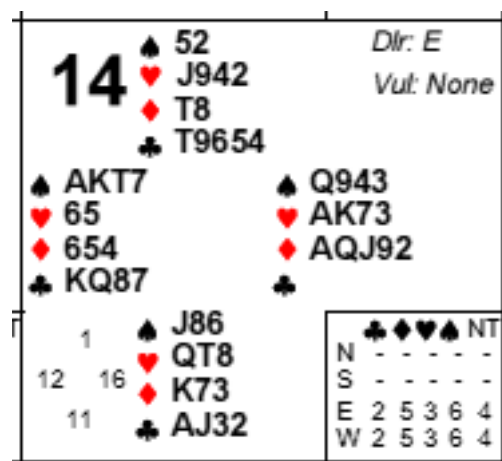
Declarer must now play a spade to the 9 and cash the ♦K. If South discards a club then the Jack and 9 score, while if he discards a spade, a spade is conceded to his 10 and he is endplayed in clubs.

The "Best" Assets

From 1963 to 1974, flamboyant Irishman George Best played wonderful soccer for Manchester United. During that time, he was the most highly-paid footballer in Europe. Yet, within a few years of his retirement from the game in 1984, he was almost penniless. An acquaintance asked him what had happened to his assets. "Well" said George, "I spent some of it on good liquor, bad women and fast cars; the rest I just squandered".

Entries are among bridge-players' most valuable assets and not to be squandered. I was reminded of the George Best anecdote by two hands from Wednesday's play in the South-West Pacific

Teams. The first was board 14 from match 7.



At 58 tables, the contract was 6S making only 11 times. (One other pair bid 7S and made 12 tricks.) On two of those occasions, the lead was the ace of clubs which solved any problem. Elsewhere, the ten of clubs was the usual lead, ruffed in dummy. At three tables that I know of, West entered his hand to take the diamond finesse which South allowed to hold. Lulled into a sense of false security, declarer then drew trumps and repeated the finesse. One down! One successful line involved not squandering entries. The queen of diamonds is played at trick 2. If South wins the king immediately, he can do no harm. If South ducks, declarer plays ace and two of diamonds. He has retained two entries to his hand, one to ruff a second club and the other to draw trumps. Then dummy is high.

The second "George Best" hand was board 6 from match 8.

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6		♠ 965	Dlr: E
		♥ 97	Vul: E-W
		♦ J84	
		♣ AT843	
♠ 8432	♠ AKQ		
♥ KT65	♥ AJ83		
♦ KT32	♦ A76		
♣ J	♣ Q62		
		♠ JT7	♣ ♦ ♥ ♠ NT
5	♥ Q42	N	- - - -
7 20	♦ Q95	S	- - - -
8	♣ K975	E	1 5 6 5 2
		W	1 5 6 5 2

From 156 tables, the hand was played in 6H just twice, down one once and down two once. At one of those tables, the jack of spades was led. Declarer (West) needs four entries to his hand, one to take the trump finesse, two to ruff clubs and the fourth to return to hand to draw trumps. And he's got them — three top spades and the ace of diamonds. But declarer squandered one of his entries by playing a club when the club can just as readily and must be played from dummy. I was that declarer which gives me one thing in common with George Best — we squander our assets.

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N.O.T. Quarter Finals – Set 3

This saw the young NZ pair of Nick Jacob and Glen Coutts face off against Phil Markey and Justin Williams while 18 year olds Matthew Brown and Vicki Bouton played Ben Thomson and Bill Jacobs. The Kiwis were lagging by 45 imps and were probably praying for a swingy set – in which case, they certainly got their wish.

The set did not start well for the Kiwis.

2		♠ KJ	Dlr: E
		♥ 982	Vul: N-S
		♦ AJ974	
		♣ 1074	
♠ A982	♠ 5		
♥ Q73	♥ KJ54		
♦ 32	♦ KQ65		
♣ K963	♣ QJ85		
		♠ Q107643	♣ ♦ ♥ ♠ NT
9	♥ A106	N	- - - 2 -
9 12	♦ 108	S	- - - 2 -
10	♣ A2	E	3 1 2 - -
		W	3 1 2 - -

The board was placed on the table the wrong way round. Glen opened the East hand 1♦ and Phil overcalled 1♠. Nick called 1NT and was allowed to play there. The King and Jack of spades took the first two tricks and Justin played a heart to Phil's Ace. Phil cleared spades, took the Ace of clubs on Nick's switch and the defence cashed out for 2 off. With East-West making 3♣ in the other room that was 6 imps and the lead stood at 51.

Markey had picked up 3 more before this arrived:

5		♠ KQ762	Dlr: N
		♥ 10	Vul: N-S
		♦ J42	
		♣ KJ104	
♠ A	♠ J10853		
♥ J65	♥ AKQ984		
♦ AK98653	♦ 62		
♣ 95	♣ 94		
		♠ 732	♣ ♦ ♥ ♠ NT
10	♥ Q107	N	1 - - - -
12 10	♦ AQ873	S	1 - - - -
8		E	- 4 5 - 2
		W	- 4 5 - 2

Phil opened 1♠ and Justin responded 1NT. Glen interposed 2♦ to which Nick replied 2♥. ♥Glen raised this to game and Nick raised that to slam. The focus was on Justin – he chose an unfortunate spade to lead. Nick

won on table, cashed the top diamonds, discarding clubs and started a big cross ruff, ending with 12 tricks. In the other room Ben and Bill settled for the mundane game and the lead was down to 43.

Markey raised that by 4 on the next before the next major action.

7		Dir: S Vul: Both	
♠ 8765	♠ AQ3	♠ KJ104	
♥ 862	♥ AQ5	♥ J97	
♦ AQ7	♦ K852	♦ Q98764	
♣ 1052	♣ AKJ		
23	♠ 92	♠ ♦ ♥ ♠ NT	
6 7	♥ K1043	N 2 6 6 2 3	
4	♦ J109643	S 1 6 5 1 3	
	♣ 3	E - - - - -	
		W - - - - -	

Phil was quickly in 3NT. A club lead saw him concede two diamonds and claim for eleven tricks. However, Matthew and Vicki climbed all the way to 6♦ and the spotlight was on Vicki's handling of the trump suit. The BBO commentator assured us that the Encyclopaedia says to run the Jack. Vicki did so and the commentator applauded her for it. More importantly she collected 12 tricks and the same number of imps. The lead was down to 35.

Markey clawed two back on the next when conceding one less undertrick in a pushy slam.

Then the action restarted. Have it as a lead problem:

You, South, hold:

♠ T8432 ♥ 76 ♦ 6 ♣ AJT53

The auction is:

West	North	East	South
X	1NT	X	2♣
3♣	P	2♦	P
	P	3NT	

What do you lead?

Justin chose to lead a club which saw Nick claim for 9 tricks on:

9		Dir: N Vul: E-W	
♠ AJ7	♠ Q965	♠ K	
♥ 10532	♥ AKJ9	♥ Q84	
♦ AQJ4	♦ 72	♦ K109853	
♣ 94	♣ Q87	♣ K62	
12	♠ 108432	♠ ♦ ♥ ♠ NT	
12 11	♥ 76	N 3 - 1 3 -	
5	♦ 6	S 3 - - 3 -	
	♣ AJ1053	E - 2 - - -	
		W - 2 - - -	

A heart lead and club switch sees it 2 off at trick 6. But at the table, it was 13 imps when Matthew and Vicki brought home 2♠ in the other room. The lead was down to 24.

Board 10 saw that cut to 17 when Phil and Justin went one down in 3♦ while Matthew and Vicki made 2♦x.

The big board of the set was a push in 7♥.

11		Dir: S Vul: None	
♠ AKQ93	♠ 1065	♠ 84	
♥ KQ7432	♥ 5	♥ A108	
♦ 3	♦ QJ984	♦ A105	
♣ 6	♣ K875	♣ A10932	
6	♠ J72	♠ ♦ ♥ ♠ NT	
14 12	♥ J96	N - - - - -	
8	♦ K762	S - - - - -	
	♣ QJ4	E 3 - 7 7 7	
		W 3 - 7 7 7	

Then another push before the next slam hand arrived.

13	♠ Q8 ♥ A ♦ AKJ973 ♣ K853	<i>Dlr: N</i> <i>Vul: Both</i>
♠ KJ10976 ♥ 43 ♦ 8 ♣ J974	♠ 432 ♥ QJ9762 ♦ 1065 ♣ A	
17 5 7 11	♠ A5 ♥ K1085 ♦ Q42 ♣ Q1062	♠♦♥♣NT N 4 5 1 - 3 S 5 6 1 - 6 E - - - 1 - W - - - 1 -

Phil and Justin reached 6♣, Matthew and Vicki 6♦ and both came to grief on the club break.

Then lead went down again on

14	♠ J10 ♥ 109 ♦ K104 ♣ A109653	<i>Dlr: E</i> <i>Vul: None</i>
♠ AQ652 ♥ 75 ♦ J8765 ♣ J	♠ 983 ♥ Q8432 ♦ Q9 ♣ KQ4	
8 8 9 15	♠ K74 ♥ AKJ6 ♦ A32 ♣ 872	♠♦♥♣NT N 3 1 2 - 2 S 4 1 1 - 2 E - - - - W - - - -

Justin opened 1♣ and Glen put in 1♠. 3♣ from Phil saw Justin opt for the nine trick game. A spade lead and foul club position saw that one off while Vicki and Matthew were bringing home a safe 3♣ contract for 4 imps.

Then it was reduced further on:

15	♠ J10 ♥ 965 ♦ 8654 ♣ Q1065	<i>Dlr: S</i> <i>Vul: N-S</i>
♠ A9432 ♥ J10 ♦ QJ93 ♣ K4	♠ KQ86 ♥ AK743 ♦ 7 ♣ 973	
3 11 12 14	♠ 75 ♥ Q82 ♦ AK102 ♣ AJ82	♠♦♥♣NT N - - - - S - - - - E 1 1 4 5 2 W 1 1 4 5 2

Justin opened 1NT as South and Phil responded 2♣, presumably bailing out at whatever Justin responded. The response was 2♦ and this went round to Nick. He doubled for takeout but Glen didn't.

Glen led the trump Queen which Justin took to play a spade to the ten and Nick's Queen. Somewhat obscurely, Nick continued with a small heart. Justin took the Queen and led a second spade. Glen took the Ace and led a heart to Nick's Ace. A second high heart was cashed before Nick played a club to Glen's King. There were still two trumps to come for the defence and that was 2 off, - 500 and only partially compensated by Ben and Bill making twelve tricks in a lowly 2♥ contract - 7 more imps to Coutts. They closed the set with an overtrick imp.

The daunting 45 imp deficit had become a mere 5.

The young NZers had certainly had a dream run through qualifying but in this set they very definitely demonstrated that they were not out of place in the National Open Teams.

Friday Festival Teams Championship

Results after 6 of 6 matches		Match Imps						
Place	Team	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	VPs
1	COURTNEY (13)	-26	37	34	2	33	30	88.71
2	GUMBY (1)	26	3	38	20	20	-17	85.63
3	NASH (8)	25	-3	46	10	27	-30	79.51
4	BURROWS (11)	32	-10	5	1	15	17	78.37
5	BROWN (6)	53	8	-38	7	5	30	76.81
6	WILKINSON (2)	-9	2	21	-1	1	39	73.71
7	FOSTER (5)	2	-12	-21	8	15	44	68.14
8	KRISHAN (9)	2	12	16	-2	-15	9	68.11
9	TULLY (3)	16	-1	-16	19	-1	4	67.02
10	MILL (17)	-2	-18	28	15	-1	-4	64.3
11	PERLEY (7)	27	10	-37	-15	11	3	62.41
12	COUTTS (10)	36	-8	34	-10	-20	-9	61.4
13	NEWMAN (4)	23	1	-34	-34	6	35	61.14
14	HEGEDUS (14)	9	39	37	-20	-27	-30	59.74
15	MORRISON (15)	-16	9	6	34	-33	-3	59.24
16	LOCKWOOD (19)	-27	29	-34	0	-2	12	54.9
17	COLBERT (18)	-53	29	-46	21	22	-39	52.17
18	O'DONOHUE (21)	-2	18	-5	-7	-11	-44	46.23
19	NICHOLSON (22)	-36	-29	20	-8	37	-35	46.15
20	CHAPMAN (24)	-3	-2	-6	0	-18	-13	44.77
21	BRENNAN (12)	3	-39	-28	-21	11	9	44.47
22	RHODES (16)	-23	-9	34	-19	-15	-12	42.56
23	PERCIVAL (23)	-32	-29	-20	-19	-11	13	31.01
24	SEYMOUR (20)	-25	-37	-34	19	-33	-9	28.11



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