

MPLS Grand Slam Club

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Club Championship



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Club Championship

Peg and Ron bested the field by nearly two boards to win the Club Championship. Note that in the 2-board Howell movement everyone played all 26 boards and only 2 of the other 15 pairs were not played. Also surprising?! the top two finishers were the only pairs who do not regularly play together.

Friday Evening Pairs Friday Eve Session April 6, 2012

Pair	Pct	Score	Rank	O/A	MPs	
13	63.74	116.00	1	1	1.95 (O)	Peg Mitchell - Ronald DeHarpporte
9	57.42	104.50	2	2	1.46 (O)	David Neiman - Kerry Holloway
8	56.32	102.50	3	3	1.10 (O)	Susan Jackson - Stephen Jackson
5	55.49	101.00	4	4	0.82 (O)	Nancy Glenn - David Glenn
11	55.22	100.50	5	5	0.62 (O)	Joseph Barrett - Tim Barrett
4	54.95	100.00	6/7		0.25 (S)	Steven Gaynor - Jean Boettcher
12	54.95	100.00	6/7		0.25 (S)	Mark Krusemeyer - Brian Crossley
15	52.75	96.00				Gregg Van Dyke - John Minton
3	52.47	95.50				Kurt Schaeffer - Anne Schaeffer
10	50.27	91.50				Andrew Caranicas - Richard Lawson
16	48.63	88.50				Linda Brammer - Timothy Adamson
7	43.68	79.50				Jonathan Cohen - Patti Stuhlman
1	42.58	77.50				Teresa Sackett - Rod Halvorson
14	41.21	75.00				Diane Henson - Mary Lemmons
2	37.09	67.50				Michael Saeger - Kimberly Hayward
6	33.24	60.50				Marsha Devine - Marian Plummer

<http://clubresults.acbl.org/Results/101691/2012/04/120406E.HTM>

West	East	Your Hand
1♠	1♥	♠9xxx
3♦	3♣	♥Jx
4NT	3NT	♦T98xxx
6NT	5♠	♣Jxx
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A lead problem from Mason City Regional

from Terry Beckman

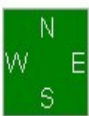
Was 4N RKC or quantitative?
Your Lead?

Answer at end of bulletin

Board 8

North Deals
None Vul

♠ AKQ109763	♠ 8
♥ 5	♥ KJ974
♦ 54	♦ Q8
♣ 103	♣ QJ862



♠ J42	♠ 5
♥ AQ106	♥ 832
♦ 732	♦ AKJ1096
♣ K97	♣ A54

	N-SE-W	N-S	E-W
4♠ N	♦ 8	510	4.50 2.50
4♠ N	♣ 2	510	4.50 2.50
4♠ N	♣ 5	510	4.50 2.50
4♠ N	♥ 7	510	4.50 2.50
4♠ N	♣ 2	510	4.50 2.50
4♠ N	♣ Q	510	4.50 2.50
4♠ N	♥ 4	480	0.50 6.50
4♠ N	♥ 4	480	0.50 6.50

Missed Opportunity?

Is a 5 loser hand too strong for a 4S preempt nonvulnerable in first seat? Diane Henson thought so, but was unable to show both the powerful suit and the heart control later in the auction.

After 1♠ 2♦, 4♠ would 5♥ by responder be a slam try asking for second round heart control?

Would 4♥ over 2♦ by the opener be a self splinter?

Board 5 ♠ Q 10 8 7 3
 North Deals ♥ A Q 10 9 5 4
 N-S Vul ♦ 3
 ♣ 10

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

♠ K 5 4
 ♥ J 7 3
 ♦ K 10 9 6
 ♣ K 8 3

	N-SE-W	N-S	E-W
4♥ N ♣ A	620	6.50	0.50
4♥ N ♣ A	620	6.50	0.50
5♣ x E ♠ 5	500	5.00	2.00
5♦ E ♥ 3	150	4.00	3.00
3♠ N ♣ A	140	3.00	4.00
3♣ E ♣ 3	110	2.00	5.00
5♥ N ♣ A	200	0.50	6.50
4♥ x N ♣ A	200	0.50	6.50

Hotly Contested

4♣ X is par, but most everyone kept bidding more.

Is the East hand a 1N opener?

Board 10 ♠ 10 7
 East Deals ♥ Q 9 7 6 4
 Both Vul ♦ Q 7 5
 ♣ Q J 5

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

♠ A 6 3 2
 ♥ A J 10
 ♦ A
 ♣ K 7 6 4 2

	N-SE-W	N-S	E-W
4♥ N ♠ 9	620	7.00	0.00
2♥ S ♠ 5	200	5.00	2.00
3♦ E ♣ 5	200	5.00	2.00
3♥ S ♦ 4	200	5.00	2.00
2♥ N ♠ K	110	2.50	4.50
3♣ S ♠ 9	110	2.50	4.50
1♠ E ♣ 2	100	1.00	6.00
4♥ N ♠ K	400	0.00	7.00

A Hard Duck

Deep Finesse sez the only way to beat 4♥ after declarer wins the ♠A in dummy at T1 is to duck the club lead toward hand holding the ♣AT.

Tough.

Heart contracts made anywhere from 6??? to 10 tricks.

Board 25 ♠ Q J 10 3 2
 North Deals ♥ K 9 4 2
 E-W Vul ♦ 10
 ♣ K 9 5

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

♠ 8 7 6
 ♥ Q J 8 6 5 3
 ♦ K 9 7
 ♣ 4

	N-SE-W	N-S	E-W
3NT W ♥ 2	200	7.00	0.00
3♠ N ♥ 7	140	6.00	1.00
3♠ N ♥ 8	100	5.00	2.00
4♥ S ♠ A	150	3.00	4.00
4♥ S ♠ A	150	3.00	4.00
4♥ S ♣ A	150	3.00	4.00
5♣ W ♦ 10	600	1.00	6.00
5♥ x S ♠ A	800	0.00	7.00

Winners Rule

Peg and Ron were one of only 2 pairs to reach par on board 25: 5 of a minor.

One NS pair, white vs. red, took a 5H save with their 10 trumps, but the ten card trump fit took only 7 tricks and scored -800 for a zero when a spade ruff was negotiated.

On Deck:

4/13 Charity Game #2

4/20 Imp Pairs Unit Championship

4/27 Last Chance GNT Club Qualifying Game

Get a practice session in before the District Finals on Saturday and Sunday

Terry's Lead Problem: Did you find the spade lead?

♠ Txxx
 ♥ Txxx
 ♦ Axx
 ♣ Kx

♠ AKQJx
 ♥ xx
 ♦ KJx
 ♣ T9x

♠ 9xx
 ♥ Jx
 ♦ T98xx
 ♣ Jxx

♠ x
 ♥ AKQ9x
 ♦ Qx
 ♣ AQ8xx

Cutting declarer from dummy at T1 gives him a tough go!