

# Campbell River New Year Sectional

January 12 - 14, 2018

Campbell River Community Center  
401 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Friday 1:00 pm Stratified Open Pairs Single Session 7:00 pm Stratified Open Pairs Single Session Saturday 12:00 pm Stratified Open Pairs 1<sup>st</sup> Session/Single 6:00 pm Stratified Open Pairs 2<sup>nd</sup> Session/Single Sunday 9:30 am 2 Session Stratified Swiss Teams Sunday lunch included in entry fee 2<sup>nd</sup> Session TBA

## Accommodation

Comfort Inn \* 1 844 914 5117 \$ 109 - \$ 120 Hot Breakfast

(Rate good until Dec. 15 - Booking code is CR Bridge Club 2018)

Coast Discovery Inn \* 1 800 663 1144 \$ 96 Hot Breakfast

(Booking code - ask for In House Reservations & Mgr's Island Rate)

Anchor Inn & Suites # 1 800 663 7227 \$ 99 Hot Breakfast

(Booking code - # 011218)

Above Tide # 1 877 886 6231 \$ 68 (2 double beds)

(Booking code - CR Bridge Club 2018) \$ 76.99 (2 queen beds) kitchen

\*1.5 blocks away # less than 2 km away

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## Entry Fees:

\$10 /person/per pairs session,  
\$32 /Swiss team, both sessions (lunch included)  
(+ \$3 /session non ACBL members)

Stratification A = 750+ B = 300 - 750 C = 0 - 300  
(based on average of pair/team)



Hi all.

It is with some regret that I must inform you that this will be the last FYI I will publish.

With this issue I have now published 51 issues over the last 10 years, and I feel it is now time for me to pass the torch to someone else to carry forward.

I would like to thank all the many contributors who have supported me and provided all of you with insights, and strategies to help you improve your game.

I hope one of you will take up the challenge and continue this publication in whatever format you may find works well for you. I will be available to you for any help or advice you may wish. This includes Microsoft Publisher, the program I have used to produce the issues.

Thanks, John Godfrey

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## Club Master's Corner

John Godfrey

### Responding to a one level overcall

Many club players have little agreed upon distinction between responding to partner's overcall and her opening bid, other than to be cautious. I have heard many opponents state "I was just an overcall" as if their 1 heart overcall somehow limited their point count to 9 to 12 HCP. A One level overcall can have anywhere from 8 or 9 to 16 HCP, quite different from a 1 level opener which can be anywhere from 12 to 20 HCP. The responses must therefore be quite different, as well as the overcaller's subsequent bids. If the responder (opener's partner) bids then all bids by advancer (overcaller's partner) are strictly competitive, and both overcaller and advancer must base all bids on presumed opponents stated strength and distribution.

When responder passes, advancer could employ a version of the Drury convention by bidding 2 clubs. This requires overcaller to rebid their suit with a sub-opener, and cue bid any Ace or King with a full opener. This approach suffers from further

competitive bids by the opposition since your side has not significantly defined your resources.

A much better approach has been championed by Eddie Kantar. Many good players employ his methods.

The key difference is the ability for advancer to immediately define game interest versus competitive bids. With 11 HCP or more, advancer starts with a cue bid of opener's suit. This normally will show support or tolerance of overcaller's suit. All other bids are non forcing.

You hold not Vul vs Vul:

♠9 8 ♥K 9 7 3 ♦9 8 2 ♣7 6 3 2

Your LHO opens 1♦ partner overcalls 1♥ (maximum 15, or a bad 16 HCP), and RHO passes. LHO obviously has a very good hand and all of you would bid a pre-emptive 3♥.

After partner overcalls your LHO, all raises are pre-emptive. Same bidding, but you now hold:

♠K Q 10 8 5 ♥5 ♦A 7 6 ♣8 7 3 2

Now you bid 1♠. This is constructive and non forcing, denies support for partner, shows a decent suit and a maximum of 10 HCP. With a full opener, a good suit or support for you, partner may bid again knowing you may pass. Continued page 5

## Naniamo Sectional Results

FRIDAY AFTERNOON STRATIFIED PAIRS			5	2	
A	B	C	6	7	
1		Ernie Tradewell Brian Fraser	8		Naida Gubbins Berry Gubbins
2		Slava Simice Ella Haylock	9		Peter Herold Judy Harris
3		Peter Herold Judy Harris	10		Jean Tait Kenneth Hooper
4		Gerry McCully Rhonda Foster	3		Marianne Daem Gordon Link
5		L. Elliott Marcey Spilsbury	4	2	Rita Beny Neville Hircocock
6		D. Kleinfelder Meta Van Pelt	5	3	Sharon Hysert Dianna Rickson
7		Vince King Barbara Schultz	6		Barbara Andrew Pat Scanlan
8		Dora Lee Ingrid Anderson	4		U. Verstraete Wm Verstraete
9		Don Merry Nancy Merry	5		Lois Powell Patricia Fraser
10		Jack Bradshaw C. Bradshaw	6		Wanda Deisman Mike Walker
11		Al Stacey Tony Farr	4		Lorraine Bell Pat Brown
12		Angela Taylor John Patterson	5		Betty Bonsor Jeannette Zagwyn
			6		Ron Anderson Nancy Anderson
FRIDAY EVENING STRATIFIED PAIRS			SATURDAY STRATIFIED PAIRS		
A	B	C	A	B	C
1		D. Uyttersprot Frances Newall	1		John Hurdle Trudy Hurdle
2		Daryl Krepps Cathy McCully	2		Peter Herold Judy Harris
3		Naida Gubbins Berry Gubbins	3		Andrea Miller Ted Heck
4	1	Randy Borger Judy Miller	4		Jack Bradshaw Carole Bradshaw
5	2	Ron Anderson Nancy Anderson	5		Rita Beny Barbara Schultz
6		Ann Malfair Maureen Steele	6		Slava Simice Ella Haylock
	3	Grant Bell Nancy Barlett	7		Vince King Brian Fraser
	4	Nigel Williamson Aimee Botje	8		Ernie Tradewell Daniel Lyder
	5	Lorna Veitch Ross Braybrook	9		Chris Cookson Beth Cookson
	6	Ernie Andreeff Ken Hall	10		Jim Sache David Schmidt
			11		Kirk Homis Virginia Youens
			12		Sheldon Spier Ingrid Anderson
			13	1	Paul Tinney Lorna Tinney
			14		Gerry McCully Rhonda Foster
	1	Phyllis Ward Geoff Wright	15		Al Stacey Marylynn Ghitter
		Dora Lee Ingrid Anderson	16		Angela Taylor Gordon Link
		Fred Baldwin Peggy Winter			

A	B	C
17	Bill Voth	John Currie
18	Franco Scarfone	M. Scarfone
19	Debbie Wastle	Ron Smith

#### SATURDAY STRATIFIED PAIRS

A	B	C
20	Pete Marinus	Dianna Rickson
21	Lorraine Spik	Arlene Petersen
22	Marion Stoodley	Santokh Sian
23	Lia Vanrenen	Pat Scanlan
2	1	Joseph Guinan Lorna Veitch
3		Susan Moran Maureen Steele
4	2	M. Skinner Holly Boudreau
5	3	Roberta Ireland Hanna Kirby
6	4	June Rasmussen Myrna Green
7	5	Ross Braybrook Larry Fogg
8	6	Ernie Andreeff Carmen Dieno
9		D. Uyttersprot Frances Newall
10		Louise Smith Dolf Daam

#### SUNDAY SWISS TEAMS

A	B	C
1	Sheldon Spier	Ingrid Anderson M. Ainsley Debbie Mineault
2	David Todd	Axie Millar Duncan Smith Alan Chapelle
3	Rhonda Foster	Gerry McCully Kim Imada Gemma Min
4	John Patterson	Angela Taylor David Schmidt Jim Sache
5	Fred Baldwin	Peggy Winter

6	Lia Vanrenen	Marianne Daem Lorraine Spik Arlene Petersen Carole Bradshaw J. Bradshaw
7	Debbie Wastle	Ron Smith Rita Beny Barbara Schultz
8/10	Vince King	Danielle Goulet Brian Fraser Tony Farr
8/10	Wayne Borman	D. Borman Ted Heck Andrea Miller
8/10	Helen Dunham	Bonnie Christopherson Neil McAllister Maureen McAllister
1	Paul Reitsma	Jeanne Wallace Paul Tinney Lorna Tinney
2/3	Russell Page	Holly Boudreau Jean-Philipp Weber Margaret Skinner
2/3 1	Audrey Mactier	Joanna Daam Edmund Blumenthal D Lainey Clark
4 2	Dawn Campbell	Jacqueline Fennellow Jerry Didier Merv Ganie
5	Tom Dugdale	Jeanette Baron Lynn Sangster Dick Sangster
3	Roger Lucas	Rose Lucas Bill Kennedy Grace Kennedy

Overall points won  
Not available

# Mea Culpa

John Godfrey

I almost never play bridge Friday night in Comox, but Tom Thomson, for whom I have considerable respect as a player, called me some weeks ago for a game and I was very pleased to accept. The first two rounds I felt we scored very well and did average or above for the next three rounds, a boost in confidence. So, I felt, we are communicating well, both in bidding, and defense. We are in tune!

Then in round seven came board 18.

I was North and Held:

♠3 ♥9 6 4 ♦10 9 8 3 ♣A Q 8 6 3

East passed, and Tom opened 2♣. West passed, and I routinely bid 2♦. East passed, and Tom bid 2♠. West passed, and I now bid 3♣, which I thought a normal second bid. The opposition being out of it, Tom bid 3♦, completing the description of his hand. So now what do I do? How much are we in tune now? I could bid 4♦ to show support, but perhaps the optimum contract would be 3NT. How do I steer the bidding to this possible makeable game? We have bid three suits

naturally, How will Tom take my 3♥ bid? I tossed this around in my head, and thought he must take this as an invitation to bid 3NT if he held a heart stopper. Tom now bid 4NT. 5♣ by me showed one control, and we ended in 6NT by Tom.

The full deal:

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

So they take the first 5 heart tricks, and we are down 4, for a zero.

### Mea Culpa!

The club results:

In 8 pairs, three were in spades, 1 making 6, two five. Two were in 5♦ making, others defending.

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## Mea Culpa

I intended my 3♥ as an invitation to 3NT if Tom had a heart stopper. Tom took me as showing a heart stopper allowing him to bid 3NT, keeping the strong hand hidden, and he receiving the opening lead.

Without some discussion about the meaning of bidding sequences, one should take the most straight forward of bidding sequences as the agreed norm. I should have simply bid 4♦ to complete my shape. 5♦ will surely make, perhaps a poor board if 3NT is a superior contract, but how about 6♦? 5♦ would have been an average board, not bad for an occasional partnership.

Tom suggested my first bid could have been 3♣, describing a 5 card suit with 2 of the top 3 honors. This would frequently be golden if he held three to the King in No trump, but in this instance while working better than our bidding sequence, would have made it impossible to find the diamond fit.

As for the three pairs that ended up in 4♠, I would like to invite them to a weekend of bridge and beer, playing for penny a point. They got lucky this time, but luck is fickle!

## Club Master's Corner

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With 11 or more HCP, you, as advancer start with a cue bid. Partner (overcaller) could have as much as 16 HCP, and game may be available. You need to explore game possibilities. Partner with a sub-opener will bid two of their suit. With a full opener partner should cue bid any Ace or King.

In order to cue bid, advancer needs at least tolerance for overcaller's suit. Your LHO opens 1♦, and partner overcalls 1♠. You hold:

♠K J ♥A Q 10 9 6 ♦A 5 ♣8 6 5 2

You are too strong to just bid 2♥, you could do this with:

♠3 ♥A Q J 7 3 2 ♦7 3 ♣J 7 3

Constructive, non forcing.

With the first hand, you would cue bid. If partner just rebids spades, you can pass. If partner cue bids clubs, you can bid 4♠.

If instead you hold:

♠3 ♥A Q J 7 3 2 ♦A Q 3 ♣7 3 2

Eddie suggests you jump to 3♥, invitational to game with no support for partner. This is a suit that can stand up to a singleton support. With a weaker suit, downgrade your points and make a constructive non forcing response. Continued p 10

Partner's  
guaranteed

## Duncan Duplicate Bridge Club

Monday 1:00

(instructional game 200 MP limit)

Monday 7:15

Wednesday 1:00

Friday 1:00

Vince King

(250) 597-4770

Results @bridgeclubs.biz

Friendly  
games

## Powell River Bridge Club

Alano Club 5856 Arbutus Avenue

Games

Monday 9:30 AM

Tuesday 7:00 PM

Thursday 2:00 PM

Website :- [www.prdbc.ca](http://www.prdbc.ca)

## Masterpoint Milestones.

### New Junior Masters

Sharon Wagner Nanaimo  
Bennett Horner Nanaimo

### New Club Masters

Michael Moscovich Campbell River  
Mary-Ann Bennett Duncan  
Patty Pedersen Nanaimo

### New Sectional Masters

Keith Ware Comox  
Darlene Carolsfeld Nanaimo

### New NABC Masters

Lorna Veitch Qualicum Beach  
Murielle Pritchard Qualicum Beach

### New Life Masters

Lorna Tinney Parksville  
Paul Tinney Parksville

### New Bronze Life Masters

Nancy Wilson Qualicum Beach

### New Sapphire Life Masters

Lorraine Spik Parksville

## Handling Psych's

Louise Elliott

This article is aimed at educating and advising our less experienced players how to handle the situation when an "A" player has psyched against them. While recognizing that psyches are a part of the game and are NOT illegal. The ACBL does have a policy in place prohibiting "unsportsmanlike" psyches which includes "A" players who take undue advantage of weaker players. **However** the only way the ACBL can address this issue is by — **Can you guess?** - YES as per usual YOU must call the Director to the table right away to report it. **Firstly** though you have to learn how to identify a psyche. Usually when a player has psyched they will consequently pass any further bids made

by their partner including artificial and game forcing bids. The moment you Identify this *is* the time to call the Director to the table. At a recent tournament a good "C" player was a victim of 2 psyches. 2 boards in a row by 2 very experienced "A" players during a team game match. It was a humiliating experience for that player. What concerns me are those players who may not even realize they have been "HAD". It does behoove our "A" players to display good sportsmanship ALWAYS. Remember *We were all beginners once*, back in the day!!!. ALL of our members want to Enjoy, Learn and Gain experience in a positive environment. PLEASE encourage our less experienced players by NOT psyching against them to take undue advantage. **It is no fun at all for them!**  
Thanking you all, and please remember to CALL THE DIRECTOR.

### Courtenay / Comox Duplicate Bridge



Every Monday at 7:00 pm  
Every Thursday at 1:00 pm  
Team Game - 5th Monday of the month



At the Lion's Den in Comox under the Library  
(Across from the Comox Mall - Nordon Street Entrance)

#### **Guaranteed Partnerships**

New to Duplicate? Ask about our Mentoring Program!

Contact Linda Marinus - (250) 338-2544

## Campbell River Bridge Club.

Wednesday 1:00 PM

Thursday 6:30 PM.

Campbell River Community Center

[www.campbellriverbridgeclub.com](http://www.campbellriverbridgeclub.com)



## Contributors

**Thanks!**

*Louise Elliott*

*John Godfrey*

### Club Master's Corner

Without support Eddie suggests considering a No Trump response. 1NT shows 9-11 HCP taking into account partner may have a sub-opener.

♠6 ♥A J 8 6 ♦K 9 4 3 ♣Q 10 5 4

Bid 1NT

♠8 3 ♥A J 8 ♦A K 5 4 ♣J 9 8 4

Bid 2NT - range 12-14 HCP

He suggests that with a conventional 1NT opener, 15-17, jump to 3NT. If partner can overcall and you have about 16HCP, what are the odds partner does not have a stopper?

Eddie does not explain how to handle a hand with poor support, a 5 card suit, unsuitable for notrump but with which you wish to be in game should partner have a full opener. This can be done by starting with a cue bid, planning to bid your suit next. You should be prepared for partner's sub-opener, by having at least 2 card support, be willing if partner shows a partial stopper to play 2NT, or have a second suit to offer partner.



Partner will assume you have support, and return to his suit with a sub-opener. When you now bid your suit, this will be a one round force. Partner can raise with 3 (or a good 2) card support, show a lower ranking 4 card suit, rebid his 6 (or if desperate 5) card suit, or bid 2NT with at least partial stopper.

If partner has a full opener she will make any other bid such as a direct raise of your suit, notrump, or another suit to show 'something' in that suit. Your decision as overcaller's partner will naturally depend on the strength you require for an overcall. 8 HCP is the accepted minimum. Some players expect 10 HCP, as this allows for a clearer evaluation of safe part score or game opportunities.

You and your partner need to get together with a bottle of wine and sort out these responses.

## CLUB DIRECTORY

CITY	DAY	TIME	LOCATION	CONTACT
Powell River	Monday	9:30am	Alano Club 5856 Arbutus Avenue	Vivian Thickett 604 485 4430
Qualicum	Monday	1:00pm	Royal Canadian Legion	Wayne Sollitt (250) 752-7357
Duncan	Monday	1:00pm	2035 Herd Road, Duncan BC Instructional game 200 MP limit	Barb Schultz (250) 743-2705
Comox	Monday	7:00pm	Lions Den www.cvdabc.com	Dave Mosher (250) 334-1818
Gabriola Island	Monday	6:30pm	Rollo Senior Citizen's Centre Gabriola Island	Anne Drozd (250)247-7526
Nanaimo	Monday	7:00pm	Royal Canadian Legion 1630 East Wellington Rd	Bill Voth (250) 618-2645
Duncan	Monday	7:15pm	2035 Herd Road, Duncan BC	Barb Schultz (250) 743-2705
Parksville	Tuesday	1:00pm	Royal Canadian Legion 180 Veterans Way, Qualicum	Dawn Campbell 250-468-9236
Powell River	Tuesday	7:00pm	Alano Club 5856 Arbutus Avenue	Vivian Thickett 604-485-4430
Oceanside	Wednesday	12:30	Anglican Church Wembly & Church Streets Parksville	Grant Bell 250-954-1067
Duncan	Wednesday	1:00pm	2035 Herd Road, Duncan BC	Barb Schultz (250) 743-2705
Campbell River	Wednesday	1:00pm	Community Center 11th Ave www.campbellriverbridgeclub.com	John Godfrey 250-923-5687
Nanaimo	Wednesday	7:00pm	Royal Canadian Legion 1630 East Wellington Rd	Bill Voth (250) 618-2645
Comox	Thursday	1:00pm	Lions Den www.cvdabc.com	Dave Mosher (250) 334-1818
Nanaimo	Thursday	1:00pm	Royal Canadian Legion 1630 East Wellington Rd	Bill Voth (250) 618-2645
Powell River	Thursday	2:00pm	Alano Club 5856 Arbutus Avenue	Vivian Thickett 604-4854430
Campbell River	Thursday	6:30pm	Community Center 11th Ave www.campbellriverbridgeclub.com	John Godfrey 250-923-5687
Qualicum	Friday	1:00pm	Royal Canadian Legion	Neville Sankey (250) 752-3388
Duncan	Friday	1:30pm	2035 Herd Road, Duncan BC	Barb Schultz (250) 743-2705