

D17 Sectional Results

Janet Rauscher, Chandler
2B. Lynn Stark, Saskatoon SK-
Mary Wackler, Mesa

Stratified Pairs (58 pairs)

1. Mark Litterman - Michael Flanagan, Scottsdale
2. JoAnne Lowe - Leon Lowe, Fountain Hills
- 1B. Lillian Zisook - Judith Washor, Scottsdale
- 2B. William Ahern, Tempe - David Rosenberg, Paradise Valley
- 1C. Graham Grist, Norfolk England - Barnaby Grist, Reno NV
- 2C. Sue Gainer - Kathy Bergman, Goodyear

Stratified Pairs (85 pairs)

1. Melvin Levine - Margie Schrader, Colorado Springs CO
- 2.1B. Larry Eisenhart - Laura Eisenhart, Scottsdale
- 2B.1C. Barnaby Grist, Reno NV - Graham Grist, Norfolk England
- 2C. Bill Carstens, Anthem - Murali Nair, Phoenix

Stratified Pairs (51 pairs)

1. Ben Blacik - Markland Jones, Phoenix
- 2.1B. Jim Rowland, Phoenix - Fred Batko, Phoenix
- 2B. Monique Greene - Eva Berlin, Scottsdale
- 1C. Graham Grist, Norfolk England - Barnaby Grist, Reno NV
- 2C. Kathy Bergman - Sue Gainer, Goodyear

Stratified Pairs (55 pairs)

1. Gerald Gray - Barbara Gray, Mesa
2. Allan Deserpa, Tempe - Charles Quenneville, Sun Lakes
- 1B. Joseph Gler, Calgary AB - Elaine Sorensen, Winfield BC
- 2B. Patricia Sohler, Sun Lakes - Sudhakar Divakaruni,

Scottsdale
1C. Leonard Lockerby - Marvin Nathanson, Florence

2C. Barbara Dali - Terri Richards, Scottsdale

Stratified Pairs (47 pairs)

1. Frank Leonard - C. J. Briggle, Tempe
- 2.1B. Elaine Sorensen, Winfield BC - Joseph Gler, Calgary AB
- 2B. Don Pratt - Donna Pratt, Brandon MB
- 1C. Beth Wisinski - Gary Wisinski, Scottsdale
- 2C. Barbara Dali - Terri Richards, Scottsdale

199er Pairs (6 pairs)

- 1D. Pat Linville, Phoenix - Barbara Chadwick, Scottsdale
- 2D.1E. Raymond Price - Mary Price, Goodyear
- 2E.1F. Linda White - Patricia Dantzscher, Sun Lakes
- 2F. Virginia Chernis, Scottsdale - Dorothy Sherman, Phoenix

199er Pairs (16 pairs)

- 1/2D. Barbara Johnson, Chandler - Karin Hansen, Sun Lakes
- 1/2D. Kathern Plenge, Paradise Valley - Lois Foulds, Scottsdale
- 2F. Virginia Chernis, Scottsdale - Dorothy Sherman, Phoenix

199er Pairs (18 pairs)

- 1D. Barbara Hewitt, Chandler - Doris Brown, Sun Lakes
- 2D. Pat Linville, Phoenix - Barbara Chadwick, Scottsdale
- 1E. S. Edward Hargest, Cave Creek - Alan Stone, Scottsdale
- 2E. Jo Lindamood - Donna Hendrix, Scottsdale
- 1F. Kathern Plenge, Paradise Valley - Lois Foulds, Scottsdale
- 2F. Jacqueline Hurlbutt, Avon CO - Karen Johnson, Scottsdale

199er Pairs (12 pairs)

- 1D. Donna Hofer - Anne New-

man, Chandler
2D.1E. Pat Graham - Sharon Graham, Sun Lakes

2E. Sandy Fox - Beth Hoffman, Scottsdale

- 1F. James Williams, Vancouver BC - Anita Neustadt, Mesa
- 2F. Samuel Sagi, Tucson - James Kempes, Tempe

199er Pairs (12 pairs)

- 1D. Doris Brown - Lily Poole, Sun Lakes
- 2D. Marlene Sumi, Burnaby BC - Valerie Wilson, White Rock BC
- 1E. Mary Gail Sutton - Richard Sutton, Mesa
- 2E. Charlie Likerman - Betsy Lindsay, Scottsdale

KO Teams I (6 teams)

1. Judith Euler - John Euler, Mesa - Eugene Condon - Maxine Poulton, Maricopa
2. Mark Robertson - Richard Jacobson, Phoenix - Janet Newman - Sheryl Martin, Scottsdale

KO Teams II (6 teams)

1. James Randall, Steamboat Springs CO - Ardith Nance - Diane Anderson, Sun Lakes - Virginia Pedersen, Aurora
2. Barbara Rees - Wayne Hushagen - Don Elliott, Mesa - Carolyn Townley-Smith, Winnipeg MB

KO Teams III (7 teams)

1. Christopher Mucha - William Ballard, Goodyear - Joanne Korytowski - William Korytowski, Winnipeg MB
2. Mary Neuman - Ethelyn Brannan - Royann Bonnell, Scottsdale - Ruth Parker, Willow AK

KO Teams IV (8 teams)

1. Cynthia O Neil - Susan Barnett, Sun Lakes - Linda Brock - Kathy Ronquist, Chandler
2. Judith Edinger - Glenn

Struck - Chuck Irwin, Gilbert - Sonya Collins, Grand Island NE

KO Teams V (6 teams)

1. Mary Edmundson - Ilene Furr, Gilbert - Richard Sentner, Bow - Sid Stern, Scottsdale AZ
2. Rick Boyd - Pauline Boyd, Calgary AB - Fred Smith - Linda Smith, Saskatoon SK

KO Teams I (6 teams)

1. Judith Euler - John Euler, Mesa - Eugene Condon - Maxine Poulton, Maricopa
2. Mark Litterman - Kathy Litterman, Scottsdale - Oris Mowry, Phoenix - Shelley Housley - Donald Housley, Mesa - Sylvia Deserpa, Tempe

KO Teams II (6 teams)

1. John Baragona, Tempe - Kelly Aanenson, Scottsdale - Rick Purdy - Elizabeth Erling, Phoenix
2. Patti Landwehr - Mattie Costantino, Mesa - Ronald Grantz, Scottsdale - Bill Whatmough, Fountain Hills

KO Teams III (6 Teams)

1. Cynthia O Neil - Linda Nelson - Susan Barnett, Sun Lakes - Linda Brock, Chandler
2. Mary Neuman - Ethelyn Brannan - Royann Bonnell, Scottsdale - Ruth Parker, Willow AK

Compact KO (9 teams)

1. Dorothy Hanko - Ardith Nance, Sun Lakes - Sydney Sides, Chandler - Priscilla Kelly, Mesa
2. James Nulty - Randi Nulty - James Utter - Eileen Utter, Sun Lakes

Flight AX Teams (19 teams)

1. Marvin Schenk - Kathy Schenk, Scottsdale - Janet Daling, Sun Lakes - Sadu Marrott, Maricopa

2. Harvinder Sidhu - Kenneth Klein, Scottsdale - Ben Blacik - Markland Jones, Phoenix

1X. Graham Grist, Norfolk England - Barnaby Grist, Reno NV - Jane Youngberg, Surrey BC - Marc Raphael, Scottsdale

2/3X. Jim Rowland - D'Anne Pientka - Fred Batko, Phoenix - Ken Batko, Scottsdale

2/3X. Pennie Vales, Sun Lakes - Don Pratt, Brandon MB - Eugene Condon - Maxine Poulton, Maricopa

Bracketed Teams I (8 teams)

1. Mattie Costantino, Mesa - Ethelyn Brannan - Mary Neuman, Scottsdale - Nancy Whittenburg, Tempe
2. Jared Boulds - Adair Karlin - Jo-Ann Vaughn - Joan Merrill, Tucson

Bracketed Teams II (8 teams)

1. Glenn Struck - Judith Edinger - Chuck Irwin, Gilbert - Sonya Collins, Grand Island NE
2. James Boese - Sandra Boese, Mesa - Sally Menzel - Ronald Menzel, Brooklyn Park MN

Bracketed Teams III (8 teams)

1. Eva Berlin - Judy St. Arnold, Scottsdale - Carmen Duffek, Anthem - Brenda Spear, Phoenix
2. Donna Traas, Kamloops BC - Dale Frink, Sun Lakes - Sheri Martin, Phoenix - Linda Thieken, Scottsdale

Bracketed Teams IV (15 teams)

1. Deborah Watson - Sue Robinson, Gilbert - Michelle Steiner, Chandler - Hugh Verlander, Sun Lakes
2. Maria Davis, Sun Lakes - Anne Newman - Sandy Jennings, Chandler - Howard Maves, Maricopa

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THURS. FEB 5

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| 1:00 PM, Bracketed KO Teams | 1 st of 3 rounds |
| 1:00 PM, Stratified Open Pairs | |
| 1:00 PM, 199'er Game | Every session if sufficient numbers |
| 7:00 PM, Bracketed KO Teams | 2 nd of 3 rounds |
| 7:00 PM, Stratified Open Pairs | |

FRI. FEB 6

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| 10:00 AM, Bracketed KO Teams | Finals |
| 10:00 AM, Stratified Open Pairs | |
| 10:00 AM, 199'er Game | Every session if sufficient numbers |
| 3:00 PM, Stratified Open Pairs | |

SAT. FEB 7

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| 10:00 AM, Stratified Open Pairs | |
| 10:00 AM, 199'er Game | Every session if sufficient numbers |
| 3:00 PM, Stratified Open Pairs | |

SUN. FEB 8

10:00 AM, Stratified Swiss Teams (by team averages); PM half TBA

KO events with only one bracket; may be handicapped.

Tournament Chairman: Mark McDermott (315) 559-9748
Partnership Chairmen: Larry Gealy (928) 580-1944; Craig Dulong (928) 248-4120
Director in Charge: Gary Zeiger (602) 978-0542
Entry Fees: ACBL member \$10; non- or unpaid member \$11; 199'ers only \$8

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Roman Keycard Blackwood (RKC), part 2, The Queen Ask

By Steve & Kitty Cooper

Today we address how to use an important advantage RKC has over regular Blackwood, asking partner for the queen of trump. First a brief review: A key card is any ace or the king of trump. There are two ways to play the first two steps after 4NT. We play that 5♣ shows one or four key cards and 5♦ shows three or zero. This is known colloquially as 1430, which makes it easy to remember as it is the score for making a vulnerable major suit slam. Others like the steps to be up the line, playing that 5♣ shows zero or three key cards and 5♦ shows one or four; this is known colloquially as 3014. Everyone agrees that 5♥ shows two key cards without the queen of trump and 5♠ shows two key cards with the queen of trump.

If partner responds 5♥ or 5♠ you know whether he has the queen or not. But what if he bids 5♣ or 5♦? You bid the next step that isn't our suit to ask about the queen. For example, if our suit is hearts and partner responds to RKC by bidding 5♣ you bid 5♦ to ask for the queen, perhaps intending to play 5♥ if he doesn't have it. But if partner bids 5♦ you would have to bid 5♠ to ask for the queen and therefore you must be looking for a grand since whatever his answer you will have to bid at least 6♥. This is one of the reasons that people switched to 1430 - when looking for a small slam, you are more likely to want to ask about the queen over a response showing one than over a response showing zero.

Which leads us to the obvious question of what partner does when you ask for the queen. If partner doesn't have the queen it's easy, he signs off in our suit at the cheapest level. If partner does have the queen he bids the cheapest king he has; if he has no kings he jumps in our trump suit. For example, assuming that our suit is hearts, partner responds 5♣ to your bid of 4NT, RKC, and you ask for the queen of hearts by bidding 5♦, partner bids 5♠ to show the queen plus the king of spades or 6♣ to show the queen plus the king of clubs and deny having the king of spades. Left to the interested reader is what partner's bid of 6♦ would be. If partner has the queen but no kings he bids 6♥.

A *minor complexity*: If partner bids 5♣ or 5♦ and you don't want to be in slam unless he has the higher number of key cards you simply bid five of our suit; if partner has the higher number he treats this as the queen ask.

And finally, how do you as the RKC responder know if you have the queen? Well, duh, you look at your hand! But sometimes you say you have the queen even if you don't. If you know that our side has at least ten cards in our suit - if, playing five card majors, you have five or more cards in our major - it's as good as having the queen, so go ahead and show it. (And please don't write to us saying how you bid a grand on this reasoning only to find queen third of trump opposite a void and went down.)

Up next: What suit is trump?