

# CAPE MAY COUNTY DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

## Newsletter

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### Club News

Peggy Coe and Bill Haas tied for Tuesday Player of the Year

Peggy also won Thursday Player of the Year and well as Player of the Year

Bob Sylvia was the Slam winner

Maria Crompton and David Jungblut won best dressed at the Christmas Party

### The Bold and The Beautiful

#### High Scorers:

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter

Tues. Marianne Goff/Karen Sylvester 73.71%  
Thurs. Peggy Coe/Bill Haas 74.07%

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

Tues. Marianne Goff/ Karen Sylvester 72.92%  
Thurs. Peggy Coe/ Bill Haas 74.20%

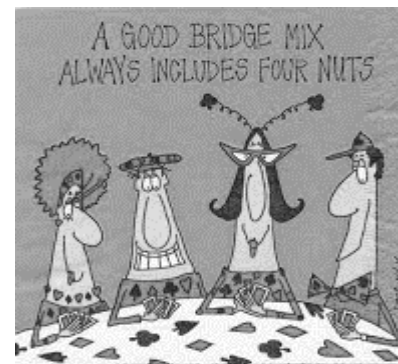
#### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter

Tues. David and Karen Hoffner 76.92%  
Thurs. Peggy Coe/ Bill Haas 72.92%

#### 2021 Attendance

##### Winners:

Kathleen Vistenzo	47
Margaret Coe	46
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Karen Sylvester	45
Bob Sylvia	42
Robert Weber	41
Tom Panzarella	39
DeeDee McMahon	37
Barbara Panzarella	37
David Jungblut	36
Alan Kaplan	36



#### Ace of Clubs Races 2021

##### Unit (top 10)

mps		
0-5	# 8 Karen White	13.83
200-300	# 8 Marie Shafron,	103.68
500-1000	# 5 Kathy Kutschera	129.64
	# 9 Bruce Gorman	124.86
2500-3500	# 4 Karen Sylvester	168.82
	#9 Dave Cohan	
5000-7500	# 7 Marianne Goff	130.37
7500-10,000	# 1 Betty Scull	354.28
	# 4 Peggy Coe	76.18
0,000 +	# 4 David Hoffner	74.42

#### Mini McKenny Races for 2021

##### Unit (top 10)

mps		
0-5	# 7 Karen White	15.49
200-300	# 9 Marie Shafron	105.42
500-1000	# 6 Kathy Kutschera	132.39
	# 9 Bruce Gorman	127.73
2500-3500	# 4 Karen Sylvester	170.75
5000-7500	# 9 Marianne Goff	132.81
7500-10,000	# 1 Betty Scull	354.28
	# 4 Peggy Coe	80.14
10,000 +	# 4 David Hoffner	86.20

#### Ace of Clubs Races 2021

##### District (top 25)

0-5	#17 Karen White
200-300	#21 Marie Safron
500-1000	#16 Kathy Kutschera
	#21 Bruce Gorman
1500-2500	#24 Stephen Horwitz
2500-3500	# 9 Karen Sylvester
5000-7500	#11 Marianne Goff
7500-10,000	# 2 Betty Scull
	# 9 Peggy Coe
10,000 +	#10 David Hoffner

#### Mini McKenny Races for 2021

##### District (top 25)

0-5	#16 Karen White
200-300	#24 Marie Safron
500-1000	#18 Kathy Kutschera
	# 22 Bruce Gorman
2500-3500	#10 Karen Sylvester
5000-7500	#14 Marianne Goff
7500-10,000	# 2 Betty Scull
	#10 Peggy Coe
10,000+	# 9 David Hoffner

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## From the Editor

### My Words to Live By

**Make peace with your past** so it won't disturb your future.

**What other people think of you** is none of your business.

**The only person in charge** of your happiness is you.

**Don't compare your life to others.** Comparison is the thief of joy.

**Time heals almost everything.** Give it time.

**Stop thinking so much.** It's alright not to know all the answers.

**Smile.** You don't own all the problems in the world.

Have a happy day and live your life according to your own words to live by. Remember – good friends are like rare jewels, hard to find and impossible to replace.

*Karen*

### Problem

N			
S	H	D	C
QT85	AKJ	AQ	A753

S			
S	H	D	C
AKJ962	53	64	K62

Contract: 6S

Lead: 4S

You draw all outstanding trump and...

- Try the heart finesse
- Try the Diamond finesse
- Duck a Club

### Bridge Tips

You cannot defend properly unless you count.

Give your opening lead a little consideration. The fate of many a contract is determined by that one card. Use the bidding as a guide.

Keep your singletons and doubletons in the middle of your hand. Some players watch where your cards come from.

As declarer when leading a suit that has equal honors, lead the higher or the highest if you want it covered, lead the second highest if you don't want it covered. It works like a charm.

When signaling encouragement with equal spot cards, signal with the higher equal. With A987, signal with the 9. If you signal with the 8, you deny the nine!

As declarer, play cards you are known to hold if it cannot cost you a trick. For example, if a queen is led, dummy has small cards, you have KJ doubleton and the ace is played on your right, play the king. NOT the jack. Third hand knows you have the king from the lead of the queen, and the opening leader knows you have the king from partner's play of the ace. Since the king and jack are equals, and since they both know you have the king, PLAY IT! PLAY IT!

The speed of the play, may be a clue to declarer's problem. When playing a 4-3 trump fit, play usually slows to a crawl.

Take your time before playing third hand to the first trick. It is often the most important play you will make in the entire hand.



Congratulations to David Hoffner for achieving Grand Life Master status (15,000+)