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Dear Joanne,

Here are your personalized Fast Results from **Finesse BC**:

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Personal results from Monday Afternoon Pairs (A) 10/01/2018

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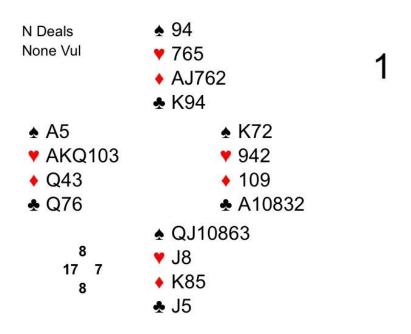
New Feature: How close am I to my next ACBL Rank?

Sincerely,

Your Common Game Team



Today's Featured Hand Analysis: (18 more inside your Personal Home Page)



EW 4♥; EW 4♣; EW 2N; Par -420

Lynn Berg Hand Analysis (For 299ers)

South's third seat 2 ♠ opener doesn't slow West down. Her 3 ♥ call shows an excellent hand with 15+ points. Even that knowledge won't encourage East to raise. He has no way of knowing that his ♠ K is actually a useful card. Since the ♣ J is doubleton, there's only one club loser, but few will consider bidding this game.

David Loeb Hand Analysis

West	North	East	South		
	Pass	Pass	2 🏚		
Dbl	Pass	3 ♣ 1	Pass		
3 🔻	Pass	4 🔻	All pass		

1. natural, 8+ support points

Lynn Berg typically provides analysis for 299ers on boards 1-18. Additionally, analysis for more advanced players is available for boards 1-2, 5, 7, and 12.

The Bidding: In his "Better Preempts IV: Preempts by Seat Position (part 2)" article, Andrew Gumperz discusses aggressive preempting in 3rd seat is a winning factic. Here, South's hand is defensively oriented. Even so, opening a Weak Two Spades seems best. West has a choice between doubling, overcalling 3 ▼, and overcalling 2NT. West isn't eager to overcall 2NT with ♣ A5 doubleton. Overcalling 3 ▼ isn't very flexible. If East doesn't have a heart fit, West may be tapped in spades and lose control of the hand. Doubling is flexible, but risks missing a 5-3 heart fit. If playing lebensohl over the double of a Weak Two preempt, doubling is very attractive. West will quickly learn whether a game if feasible. If East shows values, it is safe for West to show their heart suit over an advance to 3 ♣ or 3 ◆ . West is just 1 HCP short of the expected strength. East is a passed hand. So West doesn't need to worry about the auction getting out of hand.

Over West's takeout double, East's 8 Support Points justify a positive 3 ♣ response. West shows their heart suit as planned, forcing to game opposite a positive response. East, with 3-card heart support, places the contract at 4 ♥.

The Play: North is likely to lead their ♠ 9, top of a doubleton. With hearts breaking 3-2, declarer has 8 winners. Declarer turns to the minor to develop their 9th and 10th tricks. Without a trump lead, declarer can navigate a diamond ruff. A club to the Ace and a lobbing finesse towards the ♠ Ducen provide an additional club trick when the ♠ King is onside or the ♠ Jack is smothered.

Declarer must prioritize developing additional tricks over drawing trump. Dummy needs a trump to prevent the defense from scoring 3 diamond tricks. Delaying drawing trump risks the defense navigating a club ruff or a Trump Promotion with a 3rd round of spades. To reduce the risk of a club



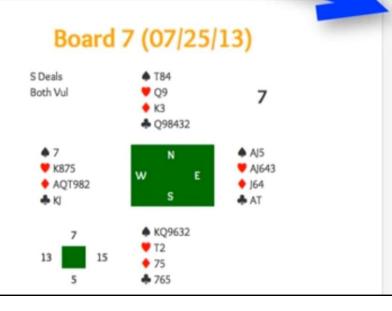


Top 20 Ranking

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Stephen Cooper Hand Analysis

Another in the never-ending series of the battle between discipline and "action". Some may see the South hand as a fine weak two, and it puts a lot of pressure on the opponents. Others shudder at the thought of opening this weak suit and balanced hand in first seat, vulnerable; however, passing allows E/W a free ride.

One worthwhile topic: The principle of "equal level conversion". It works like this: Normally, if you make a takeout double, and then bid a new suit over partner's (non-jump) response, you are showing a hand too strong to make a simple overcall. (Say about 18+). However, there is a popular approach that says if your new suit bid is at the same level as partner bid then you do not imply extra values. Rather, you show a hand like Worts hand today, where he plans to follow up his takeout double of 24 with a 34 bid, if his partner responds in clubs. Note this is a bid at the same level as his partner's call; if you switch the minors, he cannot make this call; he would have to go four clubs over partner's 34, which is at a level higher than his partner's response.





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Joanne Wicker Personal Results

(ACBL#8152020)

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MONTH-TO-DATE ATTENDANCE: 3 PLAYS

NEW FEATURE: HOW CLOSE AM I TO MY NEXT ACBL RANK?

Game Date (FRA) *	Club Website	Your Partner	Field Pct	Field Rank	CG Points	Section Pct	ACBL MPs	PR Handicap	CG Handicap
2018-10-11 FRA *	Unit 524 Games	Vincent McLoughlin	59.32	272 / 3102	0.16	61.50	0.63	-4.92	-4.97
2018-10-02 FRA *	Bridge4fun	Vincent McLoughlin	59.52	293 3428	0.16	61.54	1.50	-5.03	-2.35
2018-10-01 FRA *	Finesse BC	Vincent McLoughlin	43.82	3025 / 3691		47.85		-5.03	-3.38



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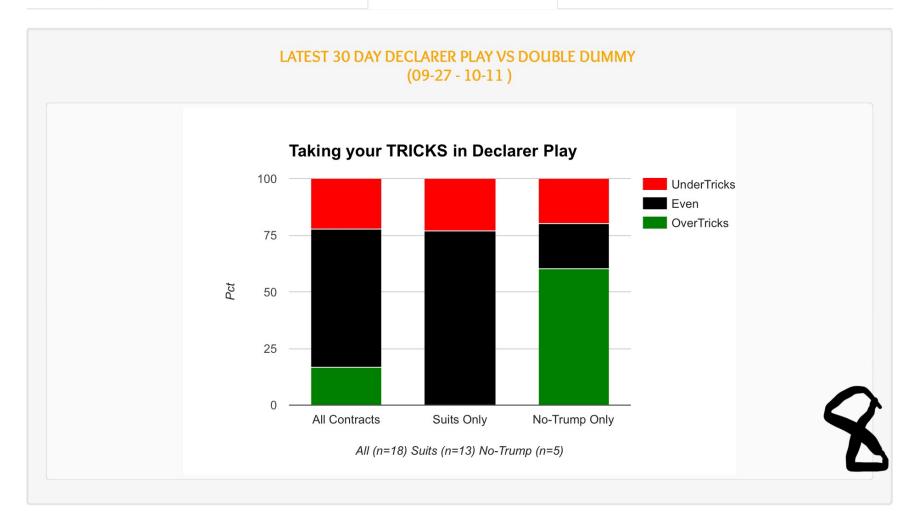
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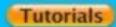
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TCG Game Analytics for Joanne Wicker



Click on Board Number to view or replay the hand

Double Dummy Disclaimer Click Here to report hours

VENUE: UNIT 524 GAMES DATE: 10-11M

Date *	Board*	Position	Result	Tricks*	Score	Lead	Pct	Contract	Score Score	Bidding_Commentary	Scoring
10-11M	01	E: Defending	4 🏟 S+1		450		37.50	5 NS	-450	Optimum Contract Bid	0
10-11M	02	E: On Lead	3N N -1	1	100		87.50	3N-NS	-600	Optimum Contract Bid	12
10-11M	03	E: Defending	3 4 S+2	11	-150		25.00	4 ₩ -NS	-420	They Missed Game	7
10-11M	04	E: Declarer	3N E =	100	600		100.00	2N-EW	+120	We over bid	10
10-11M	05	E: Defending	2 4 S + 2		-130		100.00	4N-N5	-630	They Missed Game	11.
10-11M	06	E: Dummy	1NW+1	2	120		62.50	2 ♥ -EW	+110	We Bid Wrong Partial	0
10-11M	07	E: Defending	4 🏟 S-2	1	200		75.00	5 ♦ × EW-2	-500		12
10-11M	80	E: Dummy	4 W =	1	420		75.00	4♠×€W-1;	-100	Optimum Contract Bid	11
10-11M	09	E: Defending	4 ♠ X S -2		300		75.00	7♠×NS-5	+1100	We Mased Sizes	-13
10-11M	10	E: Defending	3 🌢 S-3	4	300		75.00	4 ♠ -EW	+620	We missed our game	-8
10-11M	11	E: Dummy	2 🏶 W+1	[3]	110		87.50	2 ₩ -EW	+110	We Bid Wrong Partial	0
10-11M	12	E: Defending	3N S =	1	-600		37.50	4N-NS	-630	Optimum Contract Bid	1
10-11M	13	E: Declarer	2₩ E=		110		62.50	4 ♠ -EW	+620		-11
10-11M	14	E: Dummy	4 W -2	[1]	-100		62.50	3N-S	-400		7
10-11M	15	E: Defending	4 6 5-1	[1]	100		100.00	4N×E-1	-100		5

