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The Life of a Bridge Journalist



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Have you ever wondered what it would be like to spend your time traveling the world and being invited to play bridge in exotic locations? Watching world titles being won and lost? Rubbing shoulders with the rich and famous, as well as the best bridge players on the planet? Find out in these pages as two of the world's top bridge journalists take you behind the scenes of the international bridge circuit, in a book full of great hands, crazy characters and strange but true happenings that often don't (or can't!) get reported in the pages of the bridge magazines. Pack your bags and get ready for a wild ride – and don't forget to take your sense of humor along!



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