

Victor Mollo

THE HOG

Takes To Precision



The lost Menagerie stories ... never before in book form

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Precision in the Menagerie

We always think of the denizens of the Menagerie as rubber bridge players, their bidding (a simple Acol-based system) usually far less important than the play of the cards. However, in this new collection of original Victor Mollo stories, we see a different side of the Hideous Hog — he sees definite advantages in adopting the new approach of Precision Club; they are not for the most part, however, the same advantages envisaged by C.C. Wei. ‘Does it matter what system the Rabbit misplays?’ asks Peregrine the Penguin at one point. ‘Indeed it does,’ replies the Hog, and goes on to prove his case.

The stories in this book are all original Victor Mollo creations. Some were published only in (usually obscure) magazines, while others have never before appeared in print. It is a collection that will delight any Mollo fan (and who isn’t one?) and perhaps even introduce Mollo’s wit and technical brilliance to a whole new generation.



VICTOR MOLLO (1909-1987) was an expert player and a fine writer on the technical side of bridge (his *Cardplay Technique*, co-authored by Nico Gardner, is still highly regarded). However, it is as the creator of the *Bridge Menagerie* that he will always be fondly remembered.



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