



# What's New in District 22

cold wind. Many of our players went to Reno for the Nationals and had a great time (although no "special" results) while there. This meant that our "home games" were very small that week, but still enough to get together for a game. All are looking forward to "spring" and the new beginnings for many plants and the opportunity to get outside and enjoy the sunshine.

The winners for the month of March were: the 1st; Abbot - Farmer, Reeder - Mizrahi, Lohr - Sheehan, Kittinger - Crunk, Hobbs - Gilbert; the 3rd, Imboden - Taylor, Sheehan - Faint, Reeder - Mizrahi; the 8th; Lohr - Sheehan, Muth - Hobbs, Reeder - Mizrahi, Crunk - Kittinger, Greer - Hadelers; the 10th; Reeder - Mizrahi, Taylor - Imboden, Sparks - Lohr. On the 15th there were only three tables, and the winners were Busby - Higginbotham and Gilbert - Imboden. This was a full month of bridge and no "snow days," so on the 17th the winners were Busby - Knight, Imboden - Hadelers, Sparks - Gilbert; the 22nd Abbott - Gilbert, Greer - Imboden, Camphouse - Taylor; the 24th, Greer - Hadelers, Abbott - Taylor, Sparks - Lohr, Gilbert - Imboden; the 29th, Taylor - Hadelers, Busby - Higginbotham, Greer - Abbott; the 31st, Reeder - Mizrahi, Taylor - Sheehan, Farmer - Greer.

Since it was "Nationals" time, we had only 4½ tables for the unit game on the 14th. The winners that day were Busby - Knight, Reeder - Mizrahi, and Coleman - Camphouse.

A great month for all players. I hope that everyone enjoyed the games.

## Coronado

By Jean Seager

The Eastlake Bridge Club celebrated St. Patrick's Day in a big way. For the morning session, there was green pizza and some of Letha Couch's strawberry shortcake garnished with hand whipped whipping cream. The evening session featured yummy hors d'oeuvres courtesy of Kathleen Hennessy, as well as a variety of desserts. In addition to food, there was also bridge. Trish Lane and Judi Bunch won the evening match and reign as the new club champions. Other winners at Eastlake were Gary and Liz Piazzoni and Chriseeta Sloan and Marianne Amantea. Kathleen Hennessy won twice, once with partner Sharon Gordon and once with Robert Shapley. Also winning with Robert were Richard Keplinger and Jim Ciolli.

In Coronado, Phil Akre won three times, twice with Alice Dudley and once with Norma Lyerly. Alice was also a three-time winner: in addition to her two victories with Phil, she played a winning match with Betty Birmingham.

Other winners were Jan and Lynne Erikson, Dick Palmer and John Pizzato, Bill and Eleanor Kipperman, Marian Sullivan and Betty Thompson, John Pizzato and John Malskis and Jean and Bill Seager.

The 12:30 Thursday game at the Community Center is now \$6.00 per session to cover an increase in our room rental.

Richard and May Hsieh had a great month at a couple of sectional tournaments. They traveled to the Las Vegas Sectional and scored well enough in the 299er games to

earn tee shirts. In one match they were third in F. They also scored a second in F, fourth in E and fourth in D, as well as a third in F, third in E and fourth in D. At the San Diego Sectional, the Hsiehs finished fourth overall in F in the 299er game. Other sectional standouts were Tom Ciolli and Kathleen Hennessy, who teamed with Larry and Vicky Bamberger in Las Vegas for a first place in C, first in B and third in A in a Swiss match. Also in the Swiss Teams, they were first in C, third in B and fourth in A. In both the Compact Knockouts and in the regular Knockouts, the team placed second. In the open side game in Las Vegas, Jean and Bill Seager were first in C and third in B in one match and third in C on two other occasions. Marty Roth and Elaine Chan were second their way in B in the San Diego Sectional.

Jean and Bill Seager had so much fun at the NABC in San Diego that they decided to travel to Reno for another try. In addition to enjoying the view of the snow-capped mountains that surround the city, they had two section tops their way in the side game. Happy Spring to everyone.

## Dana Harbor

By Kathy Braeunig

Awards for the 2009 Mini-McKenney and Ace of Clubs were presented at the annual recognition game on March 9. Winners for Mini-McKenney were: 0-5 Jeff Rocklin; 5-20 Kathleen Friesen; 20-50 Ron Leckie; 50-100 Dae Leckie; 100-200 Janie Matlaf; 200-300 Sharon Forslund; 300-500 Richard Leach; 500-1000 Jacob Weisberg; 1000-2500 Philip Hiestand; 2500-5000 Steven Love; 5000-7500 John Kissinger; 7500-10,000 James Senter; and over 10,000 Mark Itabashi. Winners for Ace of Clubs were: 0-5 Jeff Rocklin; 5-20 Richard Lee; 20-50 Ron Leckie; 50-100 Dae Leckie; 100-200 Janie Matlaf; 200-300 Sharon Rippy; 300-500 Richard Leach; 500-1000 Jacob Weisberg; 1000-2500 Philip Hiestand; 2500-5000 Andy DeLeon; 5000-7500 John Kissinger; 7500-10,000 Jim Senter; and over 10,000 Mark Itabashi.

Congrats to all on your year of serious fun!

Mark Itabashi and Steve Love placed 1st in Open Pairs at the Glitter Gulch Sectional in Las Vegas. Mark also came in 1st in two other Open Pairs and again in Swiss Teams, as well as placing in the overalls in other events and ended up with a total of 39.31 points. He also finished 1st in Open Pairs at the San Diego Spring Sectional.

At the Spring NABC in Reno, Mark Itabashi continued his victorious ways by coming home with 70.02 points. Philip Hiestand was on two 1st place KO teams, and walked away with 60.48 points.

Also making waves were Steve Love winning 27.63 points and Debbie Gailfus with 20.06 points.

The unit game was held March 21. Winning 1st N/S in A & B - Paul Chung - Xiaoxue Walker; and 1st in C - Patricia Habig - Sandy Bernhagen. Placing 1st E/W in A - Bill and Diane Velick; 1st in B - Beverly Cochran - Molly Murphy; 1st in C - Hedda Marosi - Charles Margolin.

Our first-ever two session Compact KO was held this month. Walking off with top honors in Bracket 1 was fierce foursome John and Susan Kissinger with Jim and Gale Senter. Bracket two winners were Eileen Garbutt, Linda Lawrence, Paul and Lynn Johnston. We also had afternoon Swiss and the winning team was Ron Leckie, Orson Dee, Sandra Busby and Anne Kwo. This event was so successful that we have decided to host another Compact KO on Saturday May 8, so get your teams together. Thanks to Ginnie Blitzman for organizing this game.

Mark your calendars for the unit game Sunday, May 16 at 1:00 p.m. It's \$7.00, and includes a light lunch, pre-dealt hands and hand records.

Also, Charity Swiss Teams is on Sunday, May 23 at 1:00 p.m. It's \$8.00 and a light lunch included. Come on down and nurture your neurons with great Sunday deals!

## Desert Cities

By Nancy Erickson

This time of year is bittersweet as we say goodbye to our snowbirds. We look forward to keeping in touch through e-mail, snail mail and our website [www.coachellavalleybridge.com](http://www.coachellavalleybridge.com). We can't wait for their return for another fun-filled season.

The unit board is pleased to welcome Stu Fletcher and Don Freeland to our ranks, replacing Matt Lund and Ted Rogers respectively. Both men bring an enthusiastic commitment to duplicate bridge in our valley. Stu will step in to co-chair our Membership and Awards Committee.

Don is our sectional tournament chairperson and is taking an active interest in the unit games.

Congratulations to Jim Maniscalco, who placed 25th nationally in the 50 to 100 point category for the Ace of Cubs, and Bruce Ferguson, who was 14th in the 10,000+ category of the Mini-McKenney

for 2009.

This month's *Forum* article is due unfortunately before our April unit game is held, so please go to our website for the game results at [www.coachellavalleybridge.com](http://www.coachellavalleybridge.com)

I can share with you the Edith Hirschman Award recipient for 2009 will be Jane Patchett. Jane is richly deserving of the special accolade, and truly reflects the qualities we all aspire to at the bridge table - gracious, helpful and respectful to partners and opponents. Jane - in the words of Auntie Mame - is, "Top drawer, and a lovely person to boot."

Unit 533 is co-sponsoring a beginning bridge class taught by club manager and director Mick Riccio. The classes started April 18 at the Cathedral City Senior Center.

The unit appreciates Mick's commitment to growing our ranks by teaching these classes. His former students sing his praises, and they have become formidable opponents at the bridge table.

Unit 533 congratulates its members on the following promotions: Junior Masters - Bill Berke, Connielou Low and Peggy Rule-Meyer; Club Masters - Roland Sutfin, Loretta Eastman, Eldon Foster, Marcia Greer, Mark Marontate, Arlen Ryberg, Sandra Samdperil, John Sarkie and Jane Witous; Sectional Masters - Patricia Christy, Rick Flucke, Jan Mendelsohn, Dona Merritt, Gerald Ritter, Carole Schmidt and Robert Shepard; Regional Masters - Guy Brackett; NABC Masters - Rube Kaplan.

Unit 533 salutes our newest Bronze Life Masters: Norma Circle, Laurian Hasselwander and David Lodge.

We welcome Paul Anderson, Carmen Bagicalupi, Patricia Beck, Betty Brown, Herman Clegg, Val Conley, Monique Culver, Anne Froats, Ian Kravitz, Dorothy Palay, Rhoda Samuels and Sara Sparkman. The Unit 533 membership looks forward to meeting you at the bridge table.

And don't forget to check the 70% games listed elsewhere in this issue; we had seven such games to report!

## Anaheim Sectional Tournament

Friday, May 14 - Sunday, May 16, 2010  
 Anaheim Bridge Club  
 201 E. Center St., Anaheim (714) 520-9632  
 (Cross Streets: Lincoln and Anaheim Blvd)

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### Friday, May 14

10:00 A.M.  
 A/B/C Stratified Open Pairs  
 Stratified Non Life Master Open Pairs 3:00 P.M.  
 A/B/C Stratified Open Pairs  
 Stratified Non Life Master Open Pairs 7:30 P.M.  
 A/B/C Stratified Open Pairs  
 Stratified Non Life Master Open Pairs

### Saturday, May 15

10:00 A.M.  
 A/B/C Stratified Open Pairs  
 Stratified Non Life Master Open Pairs 3:00 P.M.  
 A/B/C Stratified Open Pairs  
 Stratified Non Life Master Open Pairs 7:30 P.M.  
 A/B/C Stratified Open Pairs  
 Stratified Non Life Master Open Pairs

### Sunday, May 16

11:00 A.M.  
 A/AX Two Session Swiss Teams  
 B/C/D Two Session Swiss Teams  
 A/AX: 0-5000  
 B/C/D: 1000-2000/500-1000/0-500

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 3rd Sunday of each month - Unit Game  
 4th Sunday of each month - Swiss Team  
 Sunday games at 1 p.m., lunch at 12.30 p.m.

Monday	12.30 p.m.	Open Stratified Charity
Tuesday	12.30 p.m.	Open Stratified Charity & 299er Games
Wednesday	12.30 p.m. 6.30 p.m.	Open Stratified & 99er Games Charity Swiss Team
Thursday	12.30 p.m.	Open Stratified Charity & 299er Games
Friday	12.30 p.m. 7.00 p.m.	Open Stratified & 99er Games Open Stratified Charity Game
Saturday	12.30 p.m.	Open Stratified Charity Games Additional NLM Game on 2nd Sat

Please call bridge center to confirm game in case of changes