



# What's New in District 22

## Anaheim

By Marlys Haraden

Wow!

Eddie Kantar was a huge success: at one point we thought 60 participants, and all of a sudden it was 100 ... and then the final count was 160. The lecture was very humorous and informative. Lunch was awesome, with many delicacies. 10 tables were moved to a local restaurant, to comply with the space issue. Where did you find all these people? Were the comments from our regular players? It gives me great hope that we will build on the beginners and intermediate players and make the club grow. But we must remember to be kind to the beginners, as they become easily discouraged and it takes time to develop a thicker skin. Patricia Bailey is one hard worker; Sheila Wolff organized the event, Chris chef, and Cynthia Greer - all contributed to the success.

One of our 299ers - Bill Gibson, a tall man who always looks like he stepped out of GQ - is turning 96 years old this month. Congratulations, you are remarkable and a true inspiration. Plus, Bill is still working on making his game better.

Swiss Teams winners on the second Sunday were 1st Jay Helekar, Marcella Lane, Sheila Wolff, and Paul Chung; 2nd Linda and Brian Trent, Patricia Schoppman and Joe Swain; 3rd Yas Takeda, Joan Culbertson, Lowell Andrews, and Subba Raviipudi. Well done!

Unit game winners: 1st Michael Ventri and Michael Daley, 2nd Robbie Krause and Allen McGaha, 3rd Ahmed Sorathia and Haroon Sorathia, 4th Charlotte and Stephen Sturm.

Eddie Kantar STAC results on August 30 with four sections: Sect. A 1st Larry Bolls and Gaby Sill, Diane Starbuck and Edwin Gruber; 2nd David and Sue Ruoff, Ron Lien and Stanley Snyder; 3rd Renee Alpert and Susan Powers, Irene and Richard Shuriman. Sect. B 1st Phil Hiestand and

Wei Pei, Judy Elbogen and Penny Wentworth. 2nd Marlys Haraden and Haroon Sorathia, Herb Schaffer and Mary Fenton. 3rd Jane Dadant and Sue Boyd, Robbie Trindl and Kristen St. Clair. Sect. C 1st Sofija Korff and Lowell Andrews, Harold Binder and Susan Benon. 2nd Colleen Cody and Ruth Ann Alpert, Verna Baccus and Zandra Rosenblatt. 3rd Subba Raviipudi and Jean Jacobson, Mark Tang and Steven Sulzby. Sect. D 1st Gladys Kirchner and Fred Solomon, Hemant Bhatia and Richard Fumanti. 2nd Jay Helekar and Marcella Lane, Janie Matlaf and Joan Zehring. 3rd John and Susan Johnson, Michael Murray and Kay Malone.

Well done, everyone. I share in your joy.

September 15 and the following 12 weeks, Chris Larsen will give his awesome lessons starting with a 10:30 lunch and followed by a game. This is for 199 and under and those who need a jolt to their bridge game.

Please be gentle to all the newcomers to our bridge table. It's everyone's job to make everyone else feel good about this great game.

Call us for more details.

## Bakersfield

By Mimi Stull

If this edition arrives while our Harvest Sectional is in progress, get a partner and come down to play! If it's over, check the results in the November edition, or check [www.acbl.org](http://www.acbl.org) and click on STAC sectional scores.

We appreciate all the hard work done by the board members - Tom Rauterkus, Shirley Eide, Connie Bruce, Teri Atkinson, Connie McKay, Larry Hawk, Mike Pemberton and Toni Poe - for an enjoyable and successful tournament. We thank all those who donated food, money, and door prizes and all those who attended - especially those who made the effort to come from out-of-town.

Several of our members did well in the overalls of the Great Western STAC games. They include: Tues. 199ers Kathleen Knauf - Aeson Velton, Mike McCarthy - Helen Moore, Linda Carlisle - Nada Nuanez-Byrum; In the open game high overall finishers Tuesday were Mike Pemberton - George Hollingsworth; on Wednesday Sandy Denison - Jerry Schmitt; on Thursday Grace Tanner - Ann Miller; and on Sunday Gordon and Grace Tanner.

New qualifications to become Life Master will begin Jan. 1. They will require 500 masterpoints, of which 50 are gold or platinum, 50 are red, gold or platinum, and 75 are silver. However, if one is already an ACBL member before this date and does not let his or her membership lapse, one is "grandfathered" in and need only reach the current requirements of 300 MPs.

Please tell anyone who is considering joining ACBL to do it before Jan. 1.

The membership also includes a free subscription to the Western Conference Forum and the ACBL Bulletin - both very informative publications.

Winners of the August Unit game include: 1/OA Bob Giragosian - Wafik Abdou; 2/A 1/B & C Libbie Stull - Mike Pemberton; Marj Robertson - Barbara Jones; Joan Bruce - Caroline Littlejohns; Gordon and Grace Tanner; Careen and Marty Hinds; George Hollingsworth - Rene Debarross; Ed Curtis - Julie Cesare; and Tom Rauterkus - Bob King.

Congratulations to two C pairs who came in first in all three strats in their direction in the open game. They are Mike Pemberton - George Hollingsworth and Mike Pemberton - Libbie Stull. Also to Carl Romo for becoming a new Club Master. Welcome to reinstated members Ron Miller and Aeson Velton. Teri A's lessons continue on Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. The price is right because for \$5.00 one can attend the lesson and play in the 12:30 game.

Be sure to wish Happy Birthday to Gert Prejean on Oct. 8; it will be her 93rd! One of her favorite bridge memories occurred years ago, when she desperately needed just .05 gold points to make Life Master ... and then earned more than 30 at a Palm Springs Regional!

Club Appreciation week is Sunday Oct. 11 through Thurs., Oct. 16.

The next unit game is Saturday, Oct. 16. For partners or further information please call Shirley Eide at 661 205-2439 or Tom Rauterkus at 661 663-7141.

## Balboa

By Phil Pearl

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The August unit game had 16 tables in play. The event leaders:

- Strat A:
- 1 (Chris Larsen - Norman Woo)
  - 2 (Michael Galante - Marcia Shepardson).
  - 3 (Tom Adams - Ruth Ann Alpert).
  - 4 (Alberto Feilhaber - Steven Love).
  - 5 (Charles Messall - Al Martinez).
  - 6 (Mahmoud Elguindy - Vicki Erickson).
- Strat B:
- 1 (Messall - Martinez).
  - 2 (Stan Kosowski - Mei Yoost).
  - 3 (Jerry Schreider - Diana Black).

- 4 (Susana Hegstrom - Howard Morton),
- 5 (Barbara Gilcrest - Marcia Vaughan).
- 6 (Vivian and William Boulos).

Strat C:

- 1 (Boulos - Boulos).
- 2 (Alice and Ted Nicholas).

Marilyn Kivel racked up a 75.67% at Jeanie's Park Newport game, August 11.

That is quite a game.

On the Washington scene Eileen Niesen and Mary Lou Hughes combined vacation and sightseeing in Washington and Baltimore with several days at the Nationals. They had a section top and were in the overalls in the Open Pairs, and a 2nd overall in a side game. Also in the points at the Nationals were Nola Simon, Lillian Richmond, Sydney Stephan, Betti Harris, Layne Onufer, Buddy Carls and Susan Powers.

I noticed in the July In-And-Out report that Dr. Ron Pennington had moved to Albuquerque.

Then, in mid-August, I saw him playing in our club games. He informed me that he had already moved back to Orange County.

In the May column, I included some statistical data on the distribution of members in masterpoint ranks in our unit. Here is some more statistical data to help you determine where you stand in the ACBL: Go to [www.acbl.org/](http://www.acbl.org/) and go to "My ACBL Masterpoints and more." Log in and Submit. Click on "Masterpoints, where do you stand?" This window gives you the information on where you stand in the ACBL regarding your masterpoint holding. For example, a member with 750 points is one of 4,549 members between 700-800. There are 37,381 members in this range and higher, and 124,130 below this range. This member is in the upper 76.86 percentile, with 23.14% of members below this range. (Data recorded from ACBL on 8/24/09).

Marian Mood has transferred to the Livermore Valley Unit, and I understand she is now living near children and grandchildren. Her husband, Alex, a long time member of the Balboa Unit and a retired Professor of Mathematics, passed away last year.

Advancements in Rank: Junior Master (Noll Gurwell, Kay Heaney, Thad Mikols). Club Master (George Farley, Regina Selvin, Lillian Singelyn). Sectional Master (Barbara Barnat, Jean Towgood). Regional Master (Virginia Lee Paul). NABC Master (Layne Onufer).

## Bishop

By Lilla

As I write this, the summer is coming to an end as we go into Labor Day weekend and the Fair and festivities in the Sierras. Although many already know, this is the time for congratulations to Ron Smith. We were sorry to have him move to St George, but he has completed his study and passed his director's exam. Congratulations, Ron! It's always great to see another member willing to lead the duplicate bridge groups.

Our winners for this month were: August 3: 1st, Taylor and Busby, 2nd, Sheehan and Lohr, 3rd, Imboden and Greer, and 4th, Reeder and Mizrahi. On the 5th there was no game. On the 10th: Reeder and Mizrahi, Imboden and Farmer, Higginbotham and



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#### Friday, Oct. 16

Stratified NLM Pairs..... 10:00 a.m.  
2 Strat sections: 0- 100; 100-NLM (500)  
Swiss Teams..... 2:00 p.m.  
3 Strat sections: 0-100/100-200/200-NLM (500)

#### Saturday, Oct. 17

Stratified NLM Pairs..... 10:00 a.m.  
2 Strats sections: 0- 100; 100-NLM (500)  
Stratified NLM Pairs..... 2:00 p.m.  
2 Strats sections: 0- 100; 100-NLM (500)

#### Sunday, Oct. 18

Stratified NLM Pairs..... 1:00 p.m.  
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2 Strats sections: 0- 100; 100-NLM (500)

#### Stratified Non-Life Master Pairs 0-99/100-NLM (500)

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0-100/100-200/200-NLM (500)

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