



What's New in District 22

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month, we saw the return of Gil Franklin and Bob Waite to our games. We missed you both and were all glad to see you back. We also are welcoming Gil back to directing the Monday game in Silver Lakes beginning in August. Bridge is really hopping in the area this summer. July saw some of our best attendance for all of our club games in years!

Congratulations to the winners of our July unit game - Jan Carmean and Rosie Erdelen! Other winners of club games in July are Stan Gabriel, Pat Bridgers, Rosemary Drake, Rose Giuntini, Rosie Erdelen, Jan Carmean, Fran Franklin, Gil Franklin, Jane Pace, Stan Pace, Jordan Pace, Luther Schliesser, Dee Pasque, Shirlee Hora, Taii Kalai, Ruth Allison, Jim Williams, John Ruffo, Steve Koller, Charlotte Phillips, Joan Kinney, Jack Belsher, David Bloom, Jerry Kinkade, and Joe Wilson.

La Jolla/Beach

By Alice Leicht

Some people believe that when the sun sits high and hot above us, it's time to sit ourselves on the beach and occasionally put a toe or two into the water ... thinking of nothing.

There are other people who sit themselves out of the sun's glare, finding their satisfaction in developing winning lines of play at bridge. And as the hot afternoon wends its way to cool evening, which person do you identify with?

Janice Hawley and Heidi Mosher are new unit members. Hearty welcome calls to you. We also have a group of transferees into 526: Mimi Anderson, Maureen Bear, and Dr. Alan Mannheimer. On behalf of the unit I am shouting "Hurrah!" and "Welcome" to all.

Our up-and-coming players include new Junior Master Maureen Wallace, new Club Master Patricia Lester, and new NABC Master Theresa Hayes. Join me in applause

for these great players.

New requirements for Life Master status go into place in January, 2010. If you know anyone who is only thinking about joining the ACBL, be a friend and advise him/her to start down that road now, before it becomes tougher to achieve that status.

Our July 12 game was an NAOP (North American Open Pairs) qualifier. It was necessary to be in the group above average to "Q." Here are the top of the qualifiers for both A and B rank: Freda Anderson and Gail Dunham, David Oakley and David Walters, Laura Chaffee and Mark Matz, Joyce Bailey and Barbara Blake, Robert Walters and Gary Mollenkopf, Janet Anfield and Joe Pennario. See the *Forum* NAP articles for further information on advancing to a higher level in this event.

Winners of the July 26 tournament were Steve Johnson with Diana Marquardt for the A flight. David Oakley with David Walters were 2nd. In the B flight Barry and Emily Berkov were 1st and Freda Anderson with Gail Dunham were 2nd.

The C flight ended with Cyndi Baze and Steve Boehm in 1st, followed by Pat and Jean Louis Astier 2nd.

The *Bulletin* (our magazine) and the *Forum* (this paper) have loads of information about the National tournament coming in November. Keep current, keep reading.

Lompoc

By Don Kerr

We have an unusually wide number of winners to report this month. Leading the pack, with three wins apiece, were Joyce Gehlhaar and Sue Helmuth. Following with two triumphs each were Jo Gowenlock, Maralynn Haney, Hope Howard, James Kelly, Nelson Owens, and Kay Rowland. And ... not to be denied ... single victories went to John Arbogast, Darlene Frazer, Barbara Gustitus, Patricia Hodges, Barbara Holt, Robert Jurgensen, Don Kerr, and Robert Lindquist.

Palm Springs / Coachella Valley

By Nancy Erickson

We continue to offer competitive friendly bridge games seven days a week in the valley.

Escape the cold and rain and come bask in the desert sun and enjoy our 115 degree temperatures!

The August unit game marked the return of Mick Riccio to the directors' rotation. Congratulations to Jim Darvey and Jane Leigh, open overall winners playing *East/West* and Bill Lewis and Tom Cody placing first *North/South*. Tom and Jeanne Whitehurst were top in the 299ers. Thanks to Mick and Bill Dani (unit game chair,) and Louise and Charles Rhea for providing a terrific afternoon. Special kudos go out to Dan Hudson for recruiting his niece Hannah to caddie.

Please join us September 13 for our next unit game at Cathedral City Senior Center. Our calendar for the balance of 2009 is October 4 unit game and unit NAOP qualifier. All remaining unit games will be held at Mizell Senior Center on November 1 and December 6, respectively. Please mark your calendar for January 10, for the annual membership meeting, also at Mizell.

We are in the planning stages for the sectional to be held in February 2010; please contact Dewey Green, sectional tournament chair, at dgreen@dc.rr.com to volunteer to assist the unit with this annual event.

Unit 533 members should monitor the web site for pertinent announcements on the nominating process to fill open positions on the unit board for 2010.

We welcome new members John Beckendorf, Richard Cameron, Marilyn Feher, Dick Griffith, Celene Howard, Mark Marontate, James McEachern, Nancy Peckham, and Roberta Wolff to Unit 533!

Congratulations to the following members on their promotions: David Lodge, Life Master; Beverly Hartin, Bronze Life Master; Richard Hendrick and Bob McConnell, Silver Life Masters.

Ridgecrest

By Tony Miller

As I write this we are in the dog days of summer. Many players are on hiatus before school starts August 18. We have had to cancel half of our Wednesday evening games. Margaret O'Neill and I won the unit game with a tie for second between Roy Cole and Dave Flatman and the partnership of Yasuko Mullen and Sarah Carter. Betty Doig and Esther Sires also scratched.

The highlight of the regular games was an 80%+ game scored by Esther and Sarah on a Wednesday evening. This is two consecutive months which I've reported 80% games. I don't remember ever having even one since I've been reporting.

The masterpoint list for the Wednesday COM bridge games was headed by Esther Hart, followed by Yvonne Chilina, Sarah, Esther Sires, Greg Vernon, myself, and Astrid Parkinson. For the TGIF clubs I led the list followed by Sarah, Margaret, Esther Sires, Charlie Wright, Greg, Betty, Yasuko, and Yvonne.

Riverside

By Les Moore

It is the purpose of this column to inform the members of outstanding performances of club members. During July we had four pairs who had five games above 70%. There were two pairs who had 75% game sessions: Lavonne Morrison - Nancy Kulak on July 13, and Peggy and Gene Green on July 28. Delores and Marshall Miles had 73.8% on July 26 and 73.75% on July 15. Lavonne Morrison and David Ruoff had a 71.37% on July 22.

We have two of our members who advanced to the rank of Silver Life Master: Yvonne Zoco and Dagmar Welker. Also, it was reported to me that Marshall Miles earned 126 masterpoints at the Pasadena tournament during L.A. Bridge Week.

That's a lot of masterpoints, Marshall! Our accolades and sincere best wishes to all of these members for their accomplishments. Can we top this next month? Probably not, but enjoy your bridge and keep playing for enjoyment as well as master-

points ... which are only the bonus!

Saddleback

By Bob Destino

Our unit is fortunate to have so many excellent playing opportunities every week. We have the Laguna Woods Bridge Club, which holds multi-section games seven days a week, as well as pair or team games most evenings. All these events are in the spacious and comfortable bridge room at Clubhouse #7 off Moulton Parkway. For complete schedules and other information, please visit www.lagunabridge.com

In addition to the Laguna Woods games, we have games at two local Senior Centers each week. These are the "friendliest" games around and are hosted by John Adams, Ralph Pagter and Mary Scott. On Mondays we play at the completely remodeled Norman Murray Center in Mission Viejo. On Thursdays the game is at the being-remodeled Sea Country Senior Center in Laguna Niguel. Both games start at 12:30 and cost only \$6.00. Try them; you'll enjoy yourself!

While you are making your plans, please note the dates of our upcoming monthly unit games Sundays at 1:00 at the Laguna Woods Bridge Club; they are Sept. 13, Oct. 11 and Nov. 8. At the November game Veterans play free in observance of Veterans Day.

Winners at our July unit game included David and Rita Wakeman, Andy DeLeon - Connie Brogan, Ginnie Johnson - Marge Geyer, Judy Elbogen - Xiaoxue Walker, LaRue and Lowell Bowman, and Joan and Bob Kulpa. Congratulations to all these winners as well as to our new Masters: Denny Roe (Sectional Master), Raymond Burckholter (Regional Master), Lucie Teulecke (Life Master) and Olivia Malyn (Silver Life Master).

San Diego

By Vicki Creamer

Have you ever forgotten to return your partner's suit? Forgot a system? Misplayed a cold hand? That's how I feel after, in my haste, I left out a name in our list of board members in last month's column. Barb Holles is our treasurer, savvy with numbers, computer spread sheets and always on the job. Sorry, Barb!

Also, a special thanks to John McCright for his help in running our sectionals. Add Mary and Ron Huffaker, thank you for helping in our regular unit games, plus the sectional. And thanks to Deborah Ives for stepping in to help with partnerships, Jon Wright for a great job on our web site. Finally, thanks to Wirt Gilliam and AIB for helping our unit on a daily basis.

Our First Sunday 499er game was won by Joan Maden - Carolyn Crabtree; #2, Harold Simon - Majid Aalom; #3, Jackie Ives - Doris Philamalee; and #4, Dean Altschuler - Val McWhorter. This game is now a 599er Strat. Open Pairs winners were Ronald Kay - Maritha Pottenger; #2, Fumie Graves - Joel Hoersch; #3, Hanan Deeby - Bernard Figueiredo; #4 Laura Chaffee - Sandra Schumsky.

Third Sunday combined Open Pairs with 599er Strat with attendance down due to the *Nationals*. Winners were: #1, Fumie Graves - Joel Hoersch; #2, John Adams - Michael Weber; #3, Hanan Deeby - Bernard Figueiredo; #4, Leila and Marty Bloomberg. Notice how the same names keep showing up?

The Fifth Sunday game will be hosted by 539. On August 30 we will be holding a Great Western STAC competition where the winners will be showered with silver points! Mark your calendar.

August First Sunday Open Strat was won by Steve Clark - Ivar Stakgold; #2, Hanan Deeby - Bernard Figueiredo; #3, John Adams - Michel Weber; and #4, Freda Anderson - Gail Dunham. Our new 599er Strat was won by Bill Christian - Francis Radford; #2, Dean Altschuler - Val McWhorter; #3, Ann Lehrer - Saul Morantz; and #4, Patti and Jerry Bischoff.

This month your donated *Bridge Bulletins* were taken to Kaiser in Rancho San Diego. Keep recycling your *Bulletins* (at the back table at AIB next to the refrigerator) and

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Unit 539



NON-LIFE MASTER SAN DIEGO SECTIONAL OCTOBER 16 - 18, 2009 ONLY 1 SESSION SUNDAY AT 1 PM

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)

Swiss Teams - 3 strats
Average of team points.
0-100/100-200/200-NLM (500)

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