

What's New in District 22

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made. Sign up at the club, or call in your reservation.

70% games this month were made this month by Edward Loper and Ralph Edebo in the Thursday afternoon game - 70.48; and Tish Gainey and Shirley Brous - 70.48 in the Tuesday 299er evening game.

We had an amazing turnout for Great Western Holiday STAC week. On the overall winner list for Monday were Judy and Al Bongarzone, 7th in A and 4th in B; Lynn Shafer and Cheryl Miller 12th in B; and Norma Jean Shaw and Celia Foss 23rd in B. Overall winners on Tuesday evening were Fran Pangburn and Carol Carpenter, 17th in A; Steve Welton and Jeff Rawlings, 12th in B. On Wednesday Gil White and Peg Harris placed 20/21st in A, 10th in B. Norma Zuchowicz and Margaret Wahlborg placed 21st in B on Saturday.

We had an excellent turnout for the annual meeting, election, and STAC game on Sunday, Dec. 13. Thank you, everyone, for your enthusiasm and support. The buffet potluck was copious and delicious.

Winners for the day were Lorene and David Lynch.

Looking to the future: Friday, Feb. 5 at 1:00 is a club championship, i.e., *extra points*. Tuesday evening, Feb. 9 is another club championship; and Monday, Feb. 22 at 1:00 is ACBL-Wide Senior Pairs. And be sure to remember the Larry Klimko memorial game and potluck luncheon Sunday, Feb. 21. Please sign up on the reservation list at the Bridge Center and bring your favorite dish.

If you are not able to find a partner for any game, Ann Staten (967-9331) has graciously volunteered to step in for Larry to try to set you up. Thank you, Ann.

Santa Maria

Joe Cohan

Welcome to the new year! If we can go by the results of the Christmas Dinner party: great food and tenacious and brilliant card play – (or was it drunken?), topped by a 71.1% game by the Daniels augurs a great 2010. The only real problem was not having a Friday New Year's or Christmas game. What a waste!

On the down side, one of our players from years ago, Marie Claus, passed away. On the up side, most of the rest of us are just working our way through various ailments and hope we go quickly when the times come. That's what happens when our average age is ninety seven.

This Month's Winners: Me (6)! Diane Bouquet, Richard Ristine, Pat Hodges, Joyce Gehlhaar, (3) Barbara Lohman, James Petrella (C's), Donna and Tay Daniel, John Arbogast, Vi Dallessandro, Diana Jackson, Barbara Basila, Al Goldman, CarolAnne Edie, Bonnie Hales, Tori Houlgate-West, Susan Furchtenicht, Jean - Allen and Robert Faust, Bill Allen, Jerry Riezebos, Judy English.

High C's: Judy and Chuck Scheithauer, Ervin Poteat, Susan Barrett, (2) Betty Hickman, Mary Goodspeed, Gerit Feninga, William Torpey, Bill Allen, Richard Sherman, Wayne Johnson, Al Quad, Karen Trapp, Dan Davis, Karen Bogard, Dave Hickey, Cecil Ward, Jerry Riezebos, Malcolm

Anderson, Patricia Aldred, Lee Kanehl. I know you're all wondering how I managed to steal six wins. The secret is easy. Just make sure John, our fearless director, is called to your table at least twice a session and upon arrival see how your opponents are affected when he asks them, "What'd he do this time?"

Southern Gold Coast

By Diane Gunther

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Congratulations to our two new Life Masters, Gary Ansok and Suzanne Robertson. Way to go! As we applaud your successes, we thank you both for always being so congenial and pleasant. These two fine players exemplify good sportsmanship at the highest level.

In various tournaments around the state, our unit was fairly represented and had our share of winners. At the Palm Springs Regional, Jim Munday placed first in Open Pairs. Wednesday evening Swiss winners were Ellen Anten and Steve Gross. Joe Conti was first in the B in the Thursday evening Swiss as well. Ocki Krogfoss, Jim Rupp, Alan Curtis and Dave Taylor won the KO Brackett II. John Gray and Joan Swedelson were first in C in the Open Pairs on Friday. Dave Taylor and Suzie Robertson won a Flight B strat on Saturday. Donna Bell won a first in the KO Bracket III and tied for first in the Friday Swiss Teams.

At the Nationals in San Diego, Dawn Kowalsky and Dorothy Lazar won a KO Bracket V. Gary Ansok placed first in C and tied for first in the B-A-M and KO Bracket V. Geri and Hal Knilans won the Compact KO, while Donna Bell and Alan Curtis won a KO in Bracket VI.

The In-Club Sectional first place winners were: Jimmy Swan and Pat Turner-Quigley (C), Sammy Antoun and Moheb Mansour (A, B and C!), Judy Clemenson and Roberta Leavitt (A) with a whopping 72% game!

Our new club champs are: Marilyn Springer, Jan Withers, Mort Maziar, Mike Prcic (A), Teryl Burke, Sandra Schlyer (B), and Maria Magoun, Ann Prehm (C).

We welcome George Meister, former member of the ACBL. The last time he paid his dues was in 1964, but the league's computer was able to retrieve his number and credit him with nearly sixty points! Surely, this is some kind of record, don't you think?

Hope you are having a great start in the new year! See you at the tables!

Visalia

By Robbie Rouch

The Visalia unit brought the curtain down on the decade after filling the seats at 83 1/2 tables for ten December performances. Vincent Cheng topped the marquee, propelling four different partners to victory stardom. Villa Vejvoda upstaged the cast with three supporting players, and Fran Prins and Pam Woods stole the show in three separate acts. Encores were enjoyed by Andi Sigmund, Gerard Laquerriere, Lorna Cheng, Pat DelaMontanya, Robbie Rouch, and Warren Cederborg, with the victory spotlight also shining

on Alice Pickens, Barbara Hill, Bill Martin, Bob Loudermilk, Bob Rouch, Esther Perrotta, Gerry Tipton, Howard Arquette, Katy Yarbro, Kay Link, Maudmarie Calhoun, Shirley Martin, and Suzi Cederborg.

Our traveling troupe of Warren and Suzi Cederborg, Mike and Mary Florio, Bob and Allyson Farrell, and Robbie Rouch got rave reviews in Palm Springs, but had to miss the Christmas Party. Judging by the great pictures on the Internet, a good time was had by all. During the festivities the unit stopped long enough to give unanimous approval to our new officers and heartfelt thanks to retiring president Avis Morse. Shirley Martin has graciously accepted the role of fearless leader, and Pat DelaMontanya joined the board as secretary. Andi Sigmund, Bob Iorio, and Keith Lindersmith all volunteered to keep getting done what they have done so well as V.P., treasurer, and membership coordinator.

Thanks also to Bob Loudermilk for all his great work on the website.

Two of our long time members are moving away. Betty Coates and Gerry Tipton will no longer be taking those top boards away from us in Visalia. And lest anyone think mentioning "top boards" was mere flattery, check out the Fresno Unit website for the first Monday game in December.

First over-all of the 21 pairs was our own Alice Pickens and Gerry Tipton. Godspeed, Gerry and Betty!

Best wishes for finding great partners and friendly but tough opponents.

Ventura

By Evelyn Fox

As we bid 2009 farewell and welcome 2010, Unit 547 will be looking forward to hosting a sectional tournament in May and a regional tournament later in the year.

December was a month full of holiday festivities and very good bridge. The unit hosted a Christmas lunch December 17, with delicious sandwiches and a very deca-

dent cake. Julie Elliott entertained us by playing favorite Christmas carols and songs. Thank you so much, Julie. Everyone enjoyed the music and the festive atmosphere, and were happy to see our retired and very missed director, Bill Lansing attend.

Ojai's annual pot-luck lunch was held Dec. 18. The food was great, as usual, and it was a nice get-together.


The Great Western Holiday STAC games were held in December. Elinor Hood with partner Tom Te Maat had a fantastic 76% game. Needless to say, they came in first in the district for that game. We congratulate them both. Other winners in the STACs are: John Eliason, Dick Zizic, Ocki Krogfoss, Jim Rupp, David Walton, Suzi Hutchinson, Annabelle Hurlless, Nancy Wood, Bob Bradish, John Leming, Kenneth Kidd, Peter Klopp, Joan Forchione, Ronald Landgraff, Helen Elardo, JoAnn Bowen, Dagmar Ragnow and Gary Morgan.

Well done, everyone.

The pair of Ken Ellenberger and Bob Bradish had a 71% game and, later in the month, John Leming and Ruth also had a 71% game.


Winners in non-STAC games around the unit were: Dick Zizic, John Eliason, Christy Kadin, Carolyn Berenson, Richard Daskais, Maurine Moore, Diane Di Conti, Sara Segal, Richard Wagner, Louise Shaffer, Melva Brucker, Anita Flood, Judith Murphy, Joan Forchione, Bob Gruber, Ruth Tracy, Gary Morgan, Dagmar Ragnow, John Leming, Bob Bradish, Patricia Blasingame, Joe Conti, Dennis Charles, Julie Elliott, Floyd Richards, Ken Ellenberger, Hal Daniels, James Gay, Jim Rupp, Ocki Krogfoss, Peter Klopp, Eugene Saxon, Marvil and Richard Dickason, Louise Shaffer, Ronald Landgraff, JoAnn Bowen, Helen Elardo, Carol Koroknay, Elinor Hood, Katherine Hunt, Buki Burke, Carol Lilly, Annabelle Hurliss and Leah Harris.

This reporter wishes everyone a New Year full of happiness, good health and exciting bridge hands.



San Diego Spring Sectional

Mar 5-7, 2010



Friday, March 5

- Stratified Open Pairs 10:00 a.m.
- Stratified 499'er/NLM Pairs 10:00 a.m.
- New Bracket Compact (Fri-KO) 10:00 a.m.
- Stratified Open Pairs 2:30 p.m.
- Stratified 499'er/NLM Pairs 2:30 p.m.
- Fri-KO Finals and Consolation 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 6

- Stratified Open Pairs 10:00 a.m.
- Stratified 499'er/NLM Pairs 10:00 a.m.
- New Bracket Compact (Sat-KO) 10:00 a.m.
- Stratified Open Pairs 2:30 p.m.
- Stratified 499'er/NLM Pairs 2:30 p.m.
- Sat-KO Finals and Consolation 2:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 7

- Stratified Swiss Teams 10:00 a.m.

To be held at:

Adventures in Bridge
4659 Mission Gorge Place
San Diego, CA 92120
619-287-8313

STRATS & FLIGHTS

Stratified Open Pairs:

- Strat A 2500+
- Strat B 0-2500,
- Strat C 0-1500

Stratified 499'er/NLM Pairs

- 0-100/300/499 as needed

Mid-level Chart Conventions Permitted
in Flight A events

Pre-deal hands for pair games.

Director: Jean Molnar Sanction: S1003059

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Complimentary Lunch
served between the 10:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. sessions

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Free Coffee * Free Parking

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Tues/Thurs - 6:30pm (Open)

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