

District 16 Scorecard

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PICTURES, PICTURES, PICTURES!!

There's a ton of tourney pictures in this edition of Scorecard. I'm optimistic this is a sign that F2F play is beginning to pick up.

When you read this, hopefully, you will be planning to play, playing, or have played in the Austin Regional, taking place from June 27th to July 3rd. That unit would like attendance to be at least what the Fort Western tourney was —over 60% of pre-Covid numbers.

Sectional attendance seems up as well and there are several announcements for new sectionals in this edition—

- ✓ *Beaumont 499er*
- ✓ *Houston*
- ✓ *Monterrey*
- ✓ *New Braunfels*
- ✓ *Austin 0-200*

Plan on playing in at least one.

Our next big regional event is the

- ✓ *Dallas Labor Day Regional*

from August 31st to September 5th.

Can we get participation to over 70%?

You can make that happen!



A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Betty Starzec



As I mentioned in my last post, membership growth and retention is a major focus in our District. Education is the cornerstone of encouraging players to learn and experience the game at advancing levels. The District has

established Unit support for various programs offered by the ACBL, as well as participating in special online learning games and lectures.

If Education is the cornerstone, then teachers are the builders of new players. During Covid some of our District's teachers have transitioned to online teaching, but many face-to-face teachers have retired during this environment.

If a Unit feels this is the case, they can apply to the District to host an ACBL teacher course, which will be paid for by the District. (*The District will pay for two courses per year.*)

The ACBL offers the Best Practices Course and also an Online Teaching Certification focusing, obviously, on online teaching. The District will pay the ACBL fee and the Unit would have a minimal charge to its participants to pay for refreshments, typically \$50 per person. (The ACBL fee for these courses is \$125 per person.)

In addition, the ACBL Educational Foundation offers a "*startup kit*" for teachers that includes a choice of boards, bidding boxes and cards or Shark Bridge credits or VuBridge Cardplay Basics, as well as a BridgeBee module on Doubles by Robert Todd.

Participants receive a *free one-year membership in the American Bridge Teachers Association.*

There are a lot of incentives available if you are thinking of becoming a teacher.

Another program is *Learn Bridge in a Day (LBIAD)* created by ACBL Hall of Fame player, Patty Tucker. The District will also consider paying for the program to come to your area. While presented by Patty or one of her facilitators, the focus is creating possible students for local teachers. LBIAD has had great success when the local coordinators create an effective marketing program, as outlined in Patty's material.

The monthly lectures for Beginners and Intermediates have run into a few stumbling blocks—scheduling issues, tournament conflicts, and presenter conflicts. By the time you read this post, I am hopeful that we will have resolved all issues and that the courses will return on a regular basis.

As you may have noticed, with recent Robly announcements, some sectionals have experienced breakthrough Covid cases. While it is known that many cases present no symptoms, I would like to emphasize that if you have a cold or cough please stay away from the tournament or club game. Players are more conscious of possible issues with symptomatic people. Thank you for cooperating!

As you are reading this missive, I will have been at the Firecracker Regional in Austin and hope that I've seen many of you there!

'Till the next time!

Betty Starzec
President, District 16



DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S REPORT, REGION 9

Paul Cuneo

Overall, there is good news on the Covid-19 front, as cases and transmission rates are down markedly from their peak, and a much higher percentage of the population is fully vaccinated. Clubs continue to reopen and more tournaments are being held. While many tournaments report people testing positive during or immediately after a tournament, none of them have resulted in a "super-spreader" event.

The Board has begun to address some longer-term issues and more will be on our agenda for Providence and Phoenix. One of the areas concerns masterpoint awards. We recognize that there has been a problem with the definition of a regular game at 18 boards which awards the same masterpoints for 18 boards as for 27 boards.

In our May special meeting, we agreed that masterpoint awards should be proportional to the number of boards played. While we do not expect to implement the change before fall, 18 board will continue to generate the same masterpoint awards as now, but more boards will generate proportionally higher awards. 24 boards will be 133% of 18 boards, 27 boards 50% more, and less than 18 boards will decrease proportionally.

In addition, effective July 1, VACB awards will be capped at 2.5 masterpoints for regular club games versus 4.0 currently.

In an effort to encourage tournament attendance, all tournaments will have a 20% bonus in masterpoint awards for a year. In addition, F2F regionals may begin play any time on the first day of the tournament.

Districts may run another Royal STaC during the last 4 months of the year. These events gave a boost to F2F play.

Management has been authorized to conduct 2 regionally rated online events during the rest of 2022. These may be September 15 – 18 and December 20 – 23 as no other regionals are running those days.

The visitor policy of 15% was eliminated for clubs running less than 50 tables/week of VACB play.

Trends since our Reno meeting have continued to be concerning. Membership continues to fall and tournament tables are disappointing although more tournaments are being held. Management has been developing a plan for attracting new members and we'll discuss that in Providence.

I hope to have seen many of you at the regional tournaments in Topeka and Austin at the end of June.



Paul Cuneo
District Director





CHARITY GAMES = MORE POINTS!



Many of the clubs will be hosting charity games on July 12, 13, 14 and 15. All games will award 81.8% sectional rated black points.

The July 12 and 14 games will support the ACBL Grass Roots Fund game which will support our NAP and GNT players who represent us at the national level. The July 13 and 15 games will support your unit's local charity.

Play bridge, earn more points while supporting good causes!

Nancy Strohmer

ACBL Charity Foundation President
District 16 Charity Committee Chair



CLUB CHARITY GAMES

July 12th, 13th, 14th & 15th

81.8% Sectional-Rated Black Points

Wow! Check with your club to see if they plan to participate.



July 12th & 14th: ACBL Grass Roots Fund Games support those GNT & NAP players who will represent us at the national level.

July 13th & 15th: These games will support your Unit's local charity.

WHAT BETTER WAY TO GET BACK TO CLUB PLAY & SUPPORT GOOD CAUSES AT THE SAME TIME!

Charity begins at the Club, of course!





Beaumont Sectional for

499ers/Non-Life Masters

August 18-20, 2022

(Will follow ACBL COVID Guidelines)



Tournament Location

Beaumont Bridge Studio
950 North Street, Beaumont, TX 77701
409-838-2447

Lodging Options

Marriott Courtyard 409-840-5750 (6 mi)
MCM Elegante 409-842-3600 (6 mi)
Holiday Inn Express 409-892-3600 (6 mi)
Fairfield Inn 409-840-5751 (6 mi)

Entry Fees

Sessions: \$11 per person per session
Note: \$15 per session for unpaid ACBL member

Stratification and Awards

A (300-500) B (100-300) C (0-100)

Prizes will be awarded for event winners
and section tops.

Stratification's are based on pair average

Rev: 6/05/2020

Schedule of Events

Thursday, August 18

Stratified 499er Pairs (Single session).....9:30
Stratified 499er Pairs (Single session).....1:30

Friday, August 19

Stratified 499er Pairs (Single session).....9:30
Stratified 499er Pairs (Single session).....1:30

Saturday, August 20

Stratified 499er Pairs (Single session).....9:30
Stratified 499er Pairs (Single session).....1:30

Tournament Chairs

Ruth Hancock 409-670-6243
(rhancock@gt.rr.com)
Paulette Schiwart 409-363-2259
(accentps@yahoo.com)

Partnerships

Flo Ferguson 409-363-0903
(ffergie@gt.rr.com)

Note: This is a "fragrance-free" tournament.

Unit 201, the Sabine Neches Bridge Association, cordially invites you to attend our 499er/NLM sectional. As always, entry fees include coffee and snacks during sessions and lunch between sessions.

No smoking is allowed in the playing areas.

Come join us for some Southeast Texas hospitality!



DISTRICT 16
2022 - 2023
NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS
CLUB QUALIFYING
July thru August, 2022

DISTRICT FINALS
January 7th & 8th, 2023
AUSTIN WINTER SECTIONAL
HOLIDAY INN MIDTOWN, AUSTIN

Click here for:
District 16 NAP Conditions of Contest
or ACBL NAP Conditions of Contest

NAP
North American
PAIRS

American Contract
Bridge League





Houston Unit 174 Proudly Presents

Aug 11th thru 14th
2022



\$1 Soda



Note: ACBL has increased awards by 20%

Awesome August Sectional

ARABIA SHRINE CENTER

10510 Harwin Dr.
Houston, TX 77036



Stratification

Stratified Open Pairs

A: 3000+ X: 750-3000 Y: 0-750

Stratified 299'r Pairs

B: 200-300 C: 100-200 D: 0-100

Bracketed Swiss

Brackets of 7-9 teams



Table Fees per Session

Thur, Fri & Sat: \$12 (\$4 more for lapsed members)

Sunday: \$14 (Sunday lunch included)

Table Fees are cashless (credit card only)

SPRINGHILL SUITES by Marriott

5851 Rogerdale Rd, Houston, TX 77072
(832) 300-0200 - Room Rate \$79 (AARP Discount)

HOUSTON MARRIOTT WESTCHASE

2900 Briarpark Dr., Houston TX 77042
(713) 978-7400 - Room Rate: \$99

Covid Safety

See Unit 174 website (acblunit174.org)
for latest guidelines

Playing Schedule

Thursday, Friday & Saturday, Aug 11-13

Stratified Open Pairs	10 & 2:30
Stratified 299'r Pairs (single sessions)	10 & 2:30
Side Game (single sessions)	10 & 2:30
FLM 0-50 Gemini Pairs	10 & 2:30
Bracketed Swiss	10 & 2:30

Sunday, Aug 14

Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions)	10 & TBD
Stratified 299'r Pairs (single sessions)	10 & TBD
Bracketed Swiss	10 & TBD

Please Be Scent-sitive

No Cologne

No Perfume

No Offensive Odors

Tournament Chairs

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please visit unit 174 website**

<https://ACBLunit174.org>



Guest Speakers - TBD Thursday, Friday & Saturday

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday:



2022 GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS DISTRICT 16 FINALS

Scott Nason



The District held its GNT Finals over Memorial Day weekend, online on BBO, led by the expert directing from Kevin Perkins. There were three teams competing in the Championship Flight, four in Flight A, nine in Flight B and six in Flight C.

The competition began in the Championship Flight and Flight B on Saturday and in A and C on Sunday. On Saturday the Hessel team (Ira Hessel, Phil Clayton, Bart Bramley and Dan Morse) qualified for the finals, as did the Yang team (Hua Yang, Han Song, Danny Feng and Steve Chen). So, the Sunday Finals would pit last year's District 16 Championship Flight winner against last year's Flight A winner in both D16 and the Nationals.

In B, four teams qualified for the Sunday finals, led by the Chen team (Sarah Chen, Hanchang Wang, Charlie Chen and Andrew Chen), a family effort including 11-year old Andrew. Other qualifiers were Chu (Jin Chu, Pingshan Wen, Bob Bender and Robert Holliday), Ramsey (Ross Ramsey, Stu Nelan, Sharon Harbach and Arvind Sharma) and Justman (Lilly Justman, Kalyan Venkat, Barbara Morgan, Kathryn Bailey, Stuart Litwin, and Jarek Langer).

On Sunday, Flights A and C got started and qualified their finalist for Monday, while the Championship Flight (recapped below) and B crowned their winner and runner-up, both of whom are eligible to compete in the Nationals in Providence in July. The Chu team won handily, repeating from 2021, while Chen finished second.

In Flight A the Dater team (Jeff Dater, Kim Brinkman, Eric Diamond and Bob Friz) and the

Hanus team (Pawel Hanus, Ari Sippola, James Zhan and Ying Peng) moved forward to the finals on Monday. In a close match that went back and forth, the Hanus team turned in a big third quarter to win Flight A.

In Flight C, the teams of Shepherd (William Shepherd, Brian Dudley, Nathan Yee, and Scott Cantor), Javor (Kenneth and Constance Javor, James Summers, and Laura Pantano), Weber (Sara Weber, Dena Hill, Donna Burnett, and Demaris Hart) and Hardcastle (Janice Hardcastle, Susan Banks-Johnson, Kathy L'Hommedieu, and Martin Hrachovy) qualified for the semi-finals, with Shepherd and Javor earning spots in the Finals on Monday afternoon. Shepherd won to take home the Flight C title.

The Championship Flight finals got off to the kind of start you would expect with these two teams. On board 1, both teams pushed to a poor 4S game and went down 1. Then Yang's team got too high, going for -1100 against the nonvulnerable game. Another aggressive game that failed for Yang, left them trailing by 20 early on. On board 5, a vulnerable game swung on how to play A9xxx opposite KTxx. Bramley led small from the KT hand, fetching the CQ. So, the odds wizard applied the rule of restricted choice and finessed on the way back ... losing to QJ tight. Yang played the K from his hand, again fetching a club honor and couldn't go wrong. 10 IMPs to Yang. And Yang caught up when Hessel played a vulnerable 1NT at both tables and went down two both times. Board 9 presented an interesting twist of fate when both sides opened 1NT, transferred to spades and after a super-accept stopped in 3S. But Yang had retransferred and played it from the big hand, while Hessel's Dan Morse played it from the opposite side. It turned out that the defense was easier with the big hand



declaring – a heart lead led to a heart ruff - and Yang's Danny Feng was quickly down 1. From the other side, a heart lead from Axxx didn't look so attractive, so Yang led the CA, extracting his only side entry prematurely. But in a very nice recovery, he switched to a low heart, and his partner was able to win the first spade trick, put her partner in with a heart and score her ruff to push the board. After some small swings, Hessel led 28-26 at the end of the first quarter.

On the first board of the second set, Yang made three slam tries before stopping short of an unmakeable slam. Hessel bid it, and it came home when a singleton to dummy's K was ducked. 10 IMPs to Hessel. Then Hessel found the killing lead against a vulnerable 3NT – a spade, which dummy had bid at the other table, but not here - for 11 more. Yang got too high on a part-score hand and went for -500; 10 more for Hessel and the lead was up to 33. But Hessel failed to find their five tricks off the top against 3NT, while 5C was failing at the other table; 12 IMPs to Yang. And, once again, the comeback was complete when both sides bid a thin 3NT. Bramley played it from behind the heart overcall and had no chance on a heart lead. Played from the other side, a heart lead was not successful – although a diamond lead would have worked – and Yan Song brought home the game to virtually even the match at the half. Hessel led 58-57.

It took no time for Yang to take the lead, when Hessel's lead found the Q for declarer, while Phil Clayton took the two-way finesse the wrong way. Then they gave it back when they played an unmakeable 3NT instead of a merely marginal 5C, which came home on a defensive slip. Yang regained the lead when both teams bid a distributional 4S, after the opponents opened 1NT and his partner held a 7-count. Yang doubled, led a spade and beat it one trick. Hessel led a club from AKQxx, imagine that, and the contract came home. 13 IMPs to Yang. Hessel closed the gap to two IMPs on the last board of the set, when Phil Clayton opened QJxx x QTxxxx xx 3D at favorable vulnerability, catching his LHO with a balanced 26-count. Yang settled into 3NT, making 5, while Hessel and Morse found a making 6H, after a more-normal 2C opening. Yang

ended the set with a 2-IMP lead, with 12 boards to play. 85-83.

On the second board, Yang bid a pushy 3NT. It looks like it is doomed to fail, but Steve Chen had a chance. But when Clayton played a small spade from AKx at trick nine, Chen played low from Qxx and went down two, instead of making. That was a 19-IMP difference and Hessel was back in front. It stayed that way until the penultimate board, number 47, when Hessel bid a slam that was on a finesse and Yang stopped in 5. The 48-board match was about to come down to a 50/50 contract. The finesse was wrong and that was 11 IMPs to Yang, who moved back into the lead by 6 with one board to play. A flat last board meant that Yang won and is headed to Providence to represent the District.

It was a great match, played by two great teams.

Scott Nason
D16 GNT Coordinator





HOUSTON EARLY SUMMER SECTIONAL WINNERS



Fri OP A
Kerr Godfrey - David Henke



Fri OP B
Donna Sparks - Troy Carr



Fri OP C
Sheryl Thomas - May Hakki



Sat OP A
Debi Balter - Kerr Godfrey



Fri Swiss Bkt1 and Sat Swiss Bkt 1
Sally Wheeler - Buddy Hanby - Tom Breed - Joe Quinn
- Gil Micheletti (np) - Dan Morse (np)



Sat Swiss Bkt2
Johara Nour - Betty Westbrook
- Ann McDougal - Laura Jones





Sat OP B
Troy Carr - Donna Sparks



Sat OP C
Linda Albright - Kathleen Pflueger



Sun Aft SP A
Kathleen McDougall - Debi Balter



Sun Swiss Bkt2
Chuck Gillis - Robert Reichel
- Herbert Kalman - Aleksandr Adelman



Sun Swiss Bkt3
Nathan Yee - Scott Cantar -
Mary Dodson - Betty Cartmell





PLAY OF THE HAND CHALLENGE PART II

Thomas Rush



In the last issue, you were given the following hand and asked to formulate a line of play to take 11 tricks.

Stop for a moment to recall your plan, or to draw a plan up if you'd not seen the prior article.

your chances way back (or give yourself no chance). So write down your plan and check that it works.

You'll need to specify the spots you play for full credit – it's not enough to call 'low' or 'high' of this suit or that one.

This one needs a bit of luck – but it's the only reasonable line I could think of at the table, and it's a reasonable shot.

What's our plan?

HAND 2:

Let's consider what we have: six diamond tricks, a spade, and we can force a heart trick by setting up the king or queen – but that's only eight tricks. We also have two aces to lose, so we can't afford to lose any other tricks. We might hope for King of Spades to be onside and trump to split 2-1, in which case we would come to 11 tricks by six diamonds in dummy, two ruffs in hand, two spades, and a heart --- but South's 2 club overcall makes it likely that he's got the spade king... isn't there a better way to come to 11 tricks?

Note that ruffing a club in dummy doesn't get us an extra trick, it's just one of the six diamond tricks we've already counted.

This is a hand from the Spring National held in Reno, Nevada, March 2022.

Once again, nothing particularly tricky, and no particularly wild distribution to contend with. You need to find a distribution that allows you to take 11 tricks in diamonds after the ace of clubs is led, and South shifts to a diamond.

You were given the following hints:

Diamonds are 2-1

You'll need to specify the timing. Do things in the wrong order, or at the wrong time, and you cut

The best chance is to find a favorable lie of the heart suit, and only fall back on the spade finesse if hearts "don't work".

The play should go like this:

Trick 1: Ace of clubs, all following

Trick 2: Diamond from South, play Q from the board and K from our hand (keeping entries!)

Trick 3: Ruff a club high (not for fear of an overruff, but to keep entries!)

Trick 4: 8 or 6 of trump to our King (note that the trump suit can still provide two entries to





our hand or two entries to dummy, whichever we may need)

Trick 5: Lead a low heart toward the queen.

South is in a bit of a pickle; if he wins the ace he's helping us set up our heart suit for spade pitches; if he leads a spade makes sure we get two spade tricks, and if he leads a club, it's a ruff-and-sluff, so we pitch our low spade (4) from our hand (later pitching one of dummy's spades on the heart king and ruffing the other two in hand). *On the other hand*, if LHO plays low, we win the queen in dummy and lead a heart back toward our KT.

Trick 6: In fact, LHO did duck, and the heart queen won. When we lead the heart 3, we see RHO play the 9. It's looking like hearts are 3-3, isn't it? But even if LHO started with Ax, he's going to be stuck really soon. We play the ten on RHO's nine of hearts, and LHO wins the Ace. *What's he to do?*

From Ax original holding, he's in a pickle. No red cards, so he has to lead a spade to give us the spade suit on a free finesse, or a club to give us a ruff-and-sluff. (At the table, South chose to lead a spade away from his King, just in case his partner had the ace)

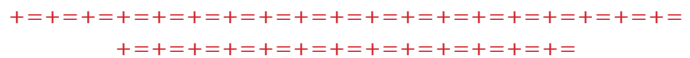
From Axx, he can lead another heart, but hearts are now 3-3 in defender's hands, and we have three good hearts to pitch dummy's J T 2 of spades... now we play the spade A and ruff the spade 4 for six diamonds, four hearts, and a spade, 5 Diamonds making.

Yes, this hand isn't bulletproof as I've outlined above. LHO might have started with AJx of hearts. Or RHO might have had the ace. But I think this is a pretty good line that gives you great chances of making 11 tricks when LHO has either Ax or Axx of hearts.

Boards like this are really important when you want to do well at any level of bridge. You're in

a contract that not many people will be in? Find a way to make it! Your reward will be scoring close to a top, instead of getting close to a zero on that board. In a 26-board game, changing one board from a bottom to a top means that your score for that session goes up by almost 4%. Maybe your next 57% game can become a 61% game if you take the time to figure out one "impossible" hand.

The only downside? You'll get a reputation, and partners will start putting you in "impossible" contracts more often!



Here's a hand from recent club play you can think about for next issue:

Yes, the auction is pretty bad, but that's close to how it happened at the table. In any case, you're in Four Spades with the club four lead.

You can see that you have two aces to lose.

Maybe. Is there a way to swindle 12 tricks?

The screenshot shows a bridge hand interface. At the top, North's hand is displayed: J♠, 7♠, 5♠, 3♠, 8♥, 7♥, 6♥, 5♥, 4♥, 2♥, 9♣, 3♣, 5♦. Below this, a bidding table is shown:

	W	N	E	S
		1♣		1♠
	Pass	2♠	Dbf	Rdbl
	3♦	3♠	Pass	4♠
	Pass	Pass	Pass	

West's hand is shown as 4♣. East's hand is not fully visible. South's hand is shown at the bottom: A♠, K♠, Q♠, 9♠, 8♠, 4♠, 2♠, J♥, A♣, Q♣, 7♣, K♦, 9♦. The interface also shows 'N North - Sit!' and 'S ThomasRush'.

Thomas Rush
President, Unit 174





SAN ANTONIO SECTIONAL WINNERS



Wed Morning - Thursday Afternoon -
Friday Morning 499er Pairs
Beverly Flannery - Elizebeth Bartek



Wed Afternoon Swiss
Dave Swarhout - Donna Swarhout
- Ira Hessel - Ellen Hessel



Wed Afternoon Swiss Flt B
Beth Gale - Bob Otis
- Stephanie Stevens - Steve Stevens



Wed Morning - Friday Afternoon Open
Pairs Flt A-B
Ann Kuehler - Cindy Cummins



Thurs Morning Pair Flt C
Yesh Singh - Peter Doyle



Thursday Morning Pairs Flt B
Sandra Press - Victor Press





Fri Afternoon Open Pairs Flt A
Jerry Harrington - Carole OConnor



Fri Morning Pairs, Flt C
Lynn Pierson - Mary Harrington



Saturday Swiss Brk 2
Barbara Haley - Sunny Won
- Sandy Souchon - Paul Fafoutakis



Friday Morning Open Pairs Flt A
Ellen Hessel - Ira Hessel

Saturday Swiss Brk 1
Pam LaShelle - Jimmy LaFountain
- Anne LaCour - Ron LaCour





MAY & JUNE RANK CHANGES*

—MAY—

JUNIOR MASTER

Daisey Arnett (201)
 Michele Bernier (187)
 Judith Cobb (174)
 Eric Hanson (187)
 Mary Hanson (187)
 Gloria Harkey (172)
 Abbas Kapasi (174)
 Evelyn Lockwood (207)
 Jack Mills (183)
 David Preng (174)
 Dipika Varia (174)
 Thomas Veitch (172)
 Jerry White (201)
 Rita Zwartkruis (174)

CLUB MASTER

William Belford (174)
 Crissy Clarke (174)
 Julie Dahlquist (183)
 Carolyn Hardy (174)
 Hendra Iskandar (174)
 Margaret Jackson (201)
 Scott Johnson (209)
 Charles Otto (174)
 Ken Russell (174)

SECTIONAL MASTER

Marilyn Beal (174)
 Patricia Hutton (176)
 William Lancet (197)
 Robert Lane (174)
 Frederic Milliken (176)
 Robin Yaklin (176)

REGIONAL MASTER

Ann Bragg (174)
 Gail Buckley (207)
 Michael Hanna (174)
 Gary Kerr (174)
 Steve Luning (207)
 Lois McCallister (174)
 Thomas Neagli (183)
 Robert Ross (174)
 Michael Wei (174)

NABC MASTER

Paula Baggett (209)
 Teresa Bolen (174)
 Peter Doyle (172)
 Caroline Drews (183)
 Mahlon First (174)
 Jeff Lewis (224)
 Mark Oswald (174)
 Laura Pantano (183)
 Denise Patterson (176)
 Cindy Schaefer (174)
 Pamela Vincent (174)
 Susie Way (174)
 Wanda Zyla (254)

ADV NABC MASTER

Amy Anderson (176)
 Hasin Jinna (174)
 Chuck Thomas (176)

LIFE MASTER

Felicia Davis (187)
 Constance Javor (183)
 Kenneth Javor (183)
 Sandra Maalouf (174)
 Sandra Reynolds (207)
 Linda Vincent (207)

BRONZE LIFE MASTER

Margaret Downey (233)
 Carl Froebel (173)
 Candace Jacobson (207)
 Janet Meyer (176)
 Sandra Reynolds (207)
 Linda Vincent (207)

SILVER LIFE MASTER

Susan Gore (201)
 Vance McCracken (207)
 Christie McGue (254)
 Michael Pope (254)
 Andrea Williams (172)

RUBY LIFE MASTER

Clarissa Dowdy (174)
 Judy Floyd (183)
 Edwina Landrum (201)
 Thomas Martinsen (174)

GOLD LIFE MASTER

Mark Craig (207)
 Sheri Gautier (176)
 Bonnie Magee (225)
 Linda McReynolds (174)

SAPPHIRE LIFE MASTER

Chuck Gillis (174)

DIAMOND LIFE MASTER

Julie Halperin (174)
 Emerald Life Master
 Ronald Brown (174)

PLATINUM LIFE MASTER

Bill Staats (183)



—JUNE—

JUNIOR MASTER

John Burgess (183)
Joel Farber (174)
Joyce Francis (207)
Hanuman Goel (176)
Amy Hart (174)
Antoun Henri (174)
Kevin Hofer (207)
Amber McCullagh (174)
Anita Moore (187)
Bradford Scott (174)

CLUB MASTER

Daisey Arnett (201)
Suzanne Birdwell (225)
Gloria Coughenour (225)
Karen Gottschalk (176)
Melissa Hinton (174)
Marci Keller (174)
Amy Mannie (174)
Rita Moss (201)
Rhea Parramore (204)
Linda Schiwart (201)
Cheryl Travis (176)
Edwin Tumlinson (174)
Pat Turner (183)

SECTIONAL MASTER

Michael Graham (174)
Marjorie Hirsch (172)
Logan Jenkins (207)
Ellen Rochelle (174)
Regional Master
Robert Dove (183)
Robert Ozarow (176)
Gerald Urbach (207)

NABC MASTER

Linda Farish (183)
Ann Haynes (225)
Carolyn Henderson (183)
George McKinley (174)
Lucinda McShane (183)
James Summers (183)

ADV NABC MASTER

Jianbo Chen (176)
Patricia Freeman (174)
Janice Hardcastle (174)
Wilma Hill (183)
Angela Johnson (176)
Kathy Russler (176)
Gail Wingfield (176)
Nathan Yee (174)

LIFE MASTER

Susan Banks-Johnson (174)
Pamela Bland (183)
Rodney Bland (183)
Jacqueline Brown (176)
Brian Dudley (174)
Harriet Motter (183)
T R Sartor (183)
Harold Schulz (183)
Amy Schumacher (176)
Kari Smith (176)
Sharon Stewart (183)
Linda Walton (176)

BRONZE LIFE MASTER

Jacqueline Brown (176)
Rajendra Dhamankar (176)
Brian Dudley (174)
Gerald Irion (172)
Shirley Kingsley (174)
Harriet Motter (183)
Harold Schulz (183)
Amy Schumacher (176)
Yesh Singh (172)
Kari Smith (176)
Sharon Stewart (183)
Linda Walton (176)

SILVER LIFE MASTER

Stephen Bickel (174)
Doug Boswell (174)
B Haznedar (174)
David Kuykendall (174)
Jeannie Stone (174)
Lynne Trigg (183)

RUBY LIFE MASTER

Gail Gillespie (174)
Shirley Hooks (174)
Syed R Naqvi (174)
George Nelson (174)

GOLD LIFE MASTER

Moises Ades (173)
Jo Ann Pierce (174)
Lisa Sommer (174)

SAPPHIRE LIFE MASTER

Rich Brandenburg (176)
Max Levit (174)

* Note that Rank Changes
come directly from the ACBL.



FORT WESTERN REGIONAL WINNERS



Mon Afternoon Side Pairs C
Larry Michaels & Harlene Michaels



Mon Evening Side Pairs A
Daniel Korbel & Carole Liss



Mon Team Bkt 2
Ted Bain & Joe Volanski
Linda Rensi, Donna Sparks,



Mon Teams Bkt 3
Fitz Fitzgerald, Emil Russiello,
Gwen Faherty, Marie Russiello



Tues Teams Bkt 2
Stefanie Scott, Kristen Onsgard,
Petra Hamman, Emily Harrell



Tues Teams Bkt 3
Lynne Trigg, Rosalee Hacker,
Khalifa Ahmed, Phil Yorsto



Tues Teams Bkt 4
John Brennan, Ross Ramsey,
Truett Cates, Stu Nelan



Tues Teams Bkt 6
Rodney Bland, Pam Bland,
Sharon Stewart, Harriet Motter



Wed Teams Bkt 1
Stephen Kornegay, Mark Bumgardner,
Nancy Kornegay, Sheri Bumgardner



Wed Teams Bkt 2
Martha Young, Jerry Derby,
Gerry McKim, Jay Gibson



Wed Teams Bkt 3
Linda Walton, Raymond Clark,
Connie Scott, Frances Haratyk



Wed Teams Bkt 4
Molly Silvia, Diana Lapeyre,
Cappy McIver, Linda Conner



Wed Teams Bkt 5
Larry Michaels, Bob Townley,
Harlene Michaels, Valerie Smith



Wed Teams Bkt 6
Rodney Bland, Pam Bland,
Sharon Stewart, Harriet Motter



Thurs Gold Rush Pairs C
Judy Wood & Lisa Smith



Thurs Stratified Pairs A
Marion Gebhardt & Milton Neher



Thurs Teams Bkt 3
Robert Holliday, Rich Brandenburg,
Scott Nason, Amy Schumacher



Thurs Teams Bkt 4
Di Lapeyre, Cappy McIver,
Linda Conner, Molly Silvia





MORE FORT WESTERN REGIONAL WINNERS



Thurs Teams Bkt 5
Larry Michaels, Bob Townley,
Harlene Michaels, Valerie Smith



Thurs Teams Bkt 6
Doni Phillips, Carol Sanderson,
Molly Chambers, Emily Bonner



Fri Stratified Pairs A
Margaret Hart & Ishmael DelMonte



Fri Stratified Pairs X
Harry Elliott & David Goldfarb



Fri Teams Bkt 2
Tiger King, MK Yeh,
Donna Gerrard, Bill Gerrard



Fri Teams Bkt 3
Wayne Evans, Bob Holliday,
Bill Driskoll, Rich Brandenburg



Fri Teams Bkt 4
Sandy Harris, Gloria Wilson,
Michael Luckenbach, Rick Day



Sat Teams Bkt 2
Robert Holliday, Rich Brandenburg,
Scott Nason, Amy Schumacher



Sat Teams Bkt 3
Valerie Remmers, Roz Smith,
Dale Remmers, Nancy Latner





Sat Teams Bkt 5
Lynn Long, Cynthia Benton,
Randy Eads, Brian Eaton



Sunday Bkt B Teams 1
Nancy Fellman, Elaine Wood,
Ira Nemazie, Jo Shah



Sunday Bkt B Teams 2
Dale Remmers, Bob Holliday,
Valarie Remmers, Bob Bender



Sunday Swiss X
Scott Nason, Milton Neher,
Tomi Storey, Eric Diamond

CONGRATULATIONS TO DISTRICT 16'S NEWEST PLATINUM LIFE MASTER

BILL STAATS

An Amazing Achievement!





FORT WORTH AWARDS DAY



2021 Ace of Clubs Winners



Tom Nute (shown left) & Milt Birmingham (shown right)
2021 Goodwill Award



Pat Sears (shown right)
2020 Goodwill Award



Jacque Montgomery (shown left)
2021 District Star Award



Jean Helmers (shown right)
2020 Goodwill Award

2021
Mini-McKenney
Winners





...and a few of 183's Newest Rank Achievements



Bronze Life Master
Amy Schumacher



Regional Life Master
Ellen Lane



Bronze Life Master
Hal Shultz



Bronze Life Master
Linda Walton



New Life Master
Harriet Motter



Life Master
Sharon Stewart



Life Master
Connie Javor



Life Master
TR Sartor



Life Maste
Ken Javor

ACE OF CLUBS WINNERS

- John Fee, 2021 (0-5 MP)
- Sharon Stewart, 2021 (300-500 MP)
- Randy Eads, 2019, 2020, 2021 (500-1000 MP)
- Jane Larimore, 2020 (1500-2500 MP)
- Lorraine Little, 2019 (1500-2500 MP)
- MB Howard, 2021 (1500-2500 MP)
- Nancy Peterson, 2021 (2500-3500 MP)
- Mary Jane Orock, 2020 (7500-10000 MP)
- Melody Gann, 2021 (7500-10000 MP)
- Nancy Kornegay, 2020 (10000+ MP)
- Steve Kornegay, 2021 (10000+ MP)

2021 MINI-MCKENNEY WINNERS

- Randy Eads (500-1000 MP)
- Lorraine Little (1500-2500 MP)
- Nancy Peterson (2500-3500 MP)
- Mary Jane Orock (7500-10000 MP)
- Nancy Kornegay (10000+ MP)





HOUSTON
UNIT 174
JACK LAVIGNE

Association. In addition, the Bridge Academy of West Houston, Bridge Club of Houston and Clear Lake Duplicate Club auctioned off players and teachers to raise additional funds.

Bridge Academy of West Houston,
bridgeacademyofwesthouston.com

The Bridge Academy of West Houston is gaining a reputation for being a very friendly playing environment. In addition to their limited invitational game held on Wednesdays at 10:30, they have an Open game on Thursdays at 10:30. The games are held at the Arabia Shriners.

North American Pairs (NAP) qualifying games were held in June. Additional qualifying games will be held on Wed/Thu, July 6 and 7 as well as July 27 and 28.

Charity games are scheduled for July 13 and 14 and club championships for July 20 and 21.

Bridge Club of Houston
www.bridgeclubofhouston.com

July 4th Come celebrate America's Birthday!! Hot dogs will be provided. Please bring a favorite side dish or dessert to share. Lunch/Celebration begins at 11:00 am with game to follow at noon. We are bringing back the 0-50 game Tuesday mornings!

Julie Halperin will give a free lesson from 9:30 to 10:10 and the game begins at 10:30. The game fee for 0-50 game is \$5.00. Open game is \$10.00. Partnerships will be arranged for those who need it. Text Julie at 713-857-8004 with questions or concerns. Lessons are open to all!

Mentor/Mentee F2F – July 12th at 10:30 a.m. Sign up at club or email Judy Cupps at: judy_n_al@yahoo.com with any questions.

Early Summer Sectional

Houston's Early Summer Sectional was held at the Arabia Shriners, June 3 – 5. Tournament chairs Charley Dalton and Byron Fackenthall, along with the other board members and volunteers, produced a terrific event.

The Hospitality was out of sight culminating in a delicious Demeris Bar-B-Q lunch on Sunday.

Having won all three Bracket 1 team games in April, the team of Sally Wheeler, Buddy Hanby, Joe Quinn and Tom Breed, with add-on's of Gil Micheletti and Dan Morse, continued their winning ways by coming in first on Friday and Saturday.

Another notable achievement was Kerr Godfrey who won the Friday Open pairs playing with David Henke and the Saturday Open pairs with Debbie Balter.

The highest score in a pairs event was achieved by Peggy Woods and Bill Petersen with a 73% game in the Saturday, 299er pairs. ***Congratulations!***

Longest Day

The Longest Day is an annual fundraising event held to support the fight against Alzheimer's disease. Bridge clubs helped by hosting special games the week of June 19-26 with the sanction fees going directly to the Alzheimer's

Awesome August Sectional - Aug 11-14

The Board is working on the Awesome August Sectional which will be held at the Arabia Shriners located at 10510 Harwin Dr (one block East of the Beltway on Harwin).

This will be a four-day tournament running Thursday through Sunday. Players are encouraged to make plans early and join in on the fun.

Board Business

A planning meeting was held on May 30th to set goals for 2022. Increasing membership was set as a primary goal. A Membership and an Attract New/Inactive players committees were formed. Charley Dalton is heading the committees. His contact information is:

Something Unit 174 members can do to help is to volunteer to serve on one of these committees. Charley's contact information is:

Charley Dalton
email: dalton@uh.edu
(713) 899-6815

News from Unit 174 Clubs
(all club links at: www.acblunit174.org)



Open Swiss Teams – July 26th at 10:30 a.m. (Register at the club)

Monday Mornings with Bill

– Bill Riley will give a series of lectures on various bridge topics. These topics are geared to the advanced beginner and intermediate players, but are open to all.

Topics will include: Transfers, Interfering with the Opponents opening 1NT, Doubles and Nuances of 2/1, to name just a few. Check BCOH website for other topics.

Bill is a Diamond Life Master, certified ACBL director, as well as an outstanding and entertaining teacher. Having taught Pediatrics for 40 years, he is now teaching bridge.

Lessons begin at 10:30. The usual cost of the lecture is \$2.00, which we will collect at the door [when we verify COVID vaccination cards for those at the club for the first time].

Clear Lake Bridge Club

www.clearlakebridgeclub.org

Clear Lake Bridge Club is located at 16614 Sea Lark Road Houston 77059. Phone number is 281-480-1911. We welcome all to any of our F2F games – open, limited or special.

Response and attendance to *8 is Enough; Breakfast, Lesson and Bridge* and the *Mentor – Mentee* games continue to be great. These very successful events will be continued.

Visit the web page for details on Open, I/N, and special games including the club

I love Weekend games.



Fort Bend Bridge Club

acblunit174.org/Club_Web_Pages/fort_bend_dbc.pdf

Open game every Tuesday at 9 am at Jack's Conference Center, 3232 Austin Parkway, Sugar Land, TX 77479:

- Free coffee and snacks
- Bridge Mate II
- Hand Records
- Nice balance of friendly A, B, & C players
- Hand sanitizer and masks available
- Calls in advance appreciated

Eric Watson

ewat2004@aol.com

(832) 287-9170

Jack LaVigne

Unit 174



DALLAS
UNIT 176
SCOTT NASON

Some things have changed, at long last, and some are still stuck in pandemic mode. After our relatively successful March

Sectional, albeit with reduced turnout versus pre-Covid, the Dallas Unit conducted a Pro-Am and its first Unit Game in a very long time.

The Pro-Am was run as two single-session games, with each pair consisting of a “pro” and an “amateur”, and the scoring stratified based on the combined experience levels of the two players. There were 16 and 17 tables. Winners in the morning were Allan Chernov and Linda Schubert in the top stratus as well as in B. The winners in C were Gari Martin and Jackie Carroll. The afternoon winners in A and B were Dale Remmers and Robert Frisch.

Our first Unit Game was held in May and attracted 22.5 combined tables, in an Open section and a 999er section. I don't know if it was fitting, ironic, or suspicious, but the winners in the Open game were yours truly, playing with the Unit Game coordinator, Milt Neher.

James Willson and Margot Hirsch were first in the B and C strata. The 999er game was won by Linda and Terence Harley in the top stratus, and Gail Wingfield and Patricia Bozeman in the under 300 strat.

Fresh off of this success, the Unit is scheduling Unit Games (or Pro-Ams) nearly every month for the rest of the year.

Then, over Memorial Day weekend, the District held its Finals (online) in the Grand National Teams competition. And Unit 176 fared very well, with Unit members on the winning





teams in the top three flights. Congrats to Hua Yang, Yan Song, Danny Feng, Pawel Hanus, Ari Sippola, Jin Chu, Pingshan Wen, Bob Bender and Bob Holliday.

And good luck to all of them in Providence. See the full write-up of the event elsewhere in this addition of Scorecard.

Face-to-face club games are still very poorly attended, although several clubs are open and conducting games. McKinney, Friendly and Valley View Bridge Clubs are all holding a few games each week, while Waxahachie, Lariat and Our Bridge Club also have games.

The Unit Board has been making the rounds to the clubs, visiting them in May, June or July.

Next up? Our first Regional tournament in three years. The annual Labor Day Regional will be held in its usual location, the lovely Renaissance Hotel in Richardson from Wednesday, August 31, to Monday (Labor Day) September 5.

So make your plans, bring your Covid vaccination proof (and a mask if you wish) and join us for a great week of bridge and gold points galore.

Hope to see you in Richardson.

Scott Nason
Unit 176



FORT WORTH
UNIT 183

KEN MONZINGO

The BIG news in May was the very successful Fort Worth Regional, sponsored by Unit 183 and chaired by MB Howard of Fort Worth. The DFW Hyatt games welcomed 502 players who created 826 total tables of face-to-face bridge.

The nice table count was more than welcomed as it was a 62.62% of the pre-pandemic Fort Worth Regional held in 2018, which was the top percentage among ACBL's post-Covid regionals.



“What a successful regional tournament we had in May and I want to thank everyone that participated. All the guest speakers were outstanding and had well attended lectures. It was such a joy greeting friends that we had not seen during COVID.”

MB Howard
Tournament Chairman

If You Build It They May Come

Overall player attendance was, as expected, mostly Texas unit members, but included a sizable contingent from Oklahoma

plus a scattering of Coloradans, Californians, and neighboring states. Several professionals from the east coast made the journey to play bridge in North Texas.

Face Improvement

Like practically all ACBL regionals, this tournament was skipped in 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic. The success of our 2022 regional gives rise to hopes that face-to-face bridge tournaments may be facing a more positive future.

Winners: Events & MPs

Unit 183's Stephen Kornegay Nancy Kornegay, North Richland Hills, and Unit 176's Sheri Bumgardner, Mark Bumgardner, Murphy, won a Bracket I Teams. Several other Unit 183 members did very well in events with overall wins in Bracketed Teams 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6.

However, most Bracket I, and most all Flight A Pairs, winners were visiting professionals and their partners – who also dominated the masterpoint winners list with the top eight garnering more than 100 MPs each. More than 6000 total masterpoints were awarded over the seven days of competition.

Unit 183 Members winning 3+ MPs at the Fort Worth Regional

Rank	MPs	Player	Home
27.	39.43	Stephen Kornegay,	No. Richland Hills
28.	39.43	Nancy Kornegay,	No. Richland Hills
44.	30.57	Greg Resz,	Weatherford
60.	27.31	Randy Eads,	Fort Worth



- 61. 26.84 Brian Eaton, Fort Worth
- 62. 26.13 MB Howard, Fort Worth
- 72. 24.32 Theresa Ann Brantley, Mansfield
- 73. 24.32 Melody Gann, Arlington
- 81. 22.73 Bill Staats, Southlake
- 95. 18.87 Rosalee Hacker, Southlake
- 96. 18.67 Lauren Brown, Mansfield
- 97. 18.50 Cynthia Benton, Fort Worth
- 98. 18.09 Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie
- 109. 16.46 Mike Peiffer, Colleyville
- 111. 16.32 Nancy Peterson, Euless
- 114. 15.88 Linda Neal, Grapevine
- 115. 15.88 Melba Clark, Arlington
- 116. 15.71 Dorothy Moore Keller
- 117. 15.71 Wilma Hill, Arlington
- 118. 15.70 Harold Schulz Granbury
- 119. 15.70 T R Sartor, Granbury
- 123. 15.52 Kimmel Jones, Euless
- 129. 14.98 James Summers, Denton
- 131. 14.89 Khalifa Ahmed, Denton
- 135. 14.56 Lori Slocum, Denton
- 138. 14.43 Rodney Bland, Arlington
- 139. 14.43 Pamela Bland, Arlington
- 152. 12.84 Elaine Wood, Keller
- 156. 12.43 Wiltie Creswell, Burleson
- 157. 12.41 Harriet Motter, Mansfield
- 158. 12.41 Sharon Stewart, Mansfield
- 181. 10.34 Lynne Trigg, Southlake
- 196. 9.44 Brenda Darby, Granbury
- 197. 9.44 John Burgess, Granbury
- 200. 9.34 Alan Rauch, Fort Worth
- 204. 8.89 Ross Ramsey, Flower Mound
- 205. 8.42 Kenneth Javor, Denton
- 206. 8.42 Constance Javor, Denton
- 207. 8.35 Lynn Long, Fort Worth
- 208. 8.34 Gloria Fields, Fort Worth
- 216. 7.87 Laura Nash, Burleson
- 217. 7.84 Alice Wright, Denton
- 218. 7.84 Laura Pantano, Denton
- 223. 7.80 Pamala Pickrell, Granbury
- 229. 7.41 Charles Burke, Arlington
- 234. 7.28 Gwendolyn Faherty, Granbury
- 235. 7.28 Carmond Fitzgerald, Granbury
- 236. 7.14 Thomas Miyake, Denton

- 237. 7.01 Darrel VanDyke, Lewisville
- 238. 7.01 Carolyn Henderson, Highland Village
- 239. 6.88 Lorraine Little, Benbrook
- 242. 6.72 Lori McCline, Denton
- 252. 6.06 Dick Simon, Fort Worth
- 253. 6.06 Jim Brown, Mansfield
- 254. 6.06 Winifred Simon, Fort Worth
- 255. 6.05 Darlene Shirey, Fort Worth
- 256. 6.00 Kay Schrieber, Granbury
- 259. 5.81 Anne Fritz, No. Richland Hills
- 260. 5.81 Lawrence Fritz, No. Richland Hills
- 263. 5.55 Kathy Coleman, Fort Worth
- 265. 5.55 Michael Tiernan, Fort Worth
- 267. 5.37 George Morey, Arlington
- 282. 4.85 Ellen Lane, Flower Mound
- 283. 4.85 Joanne Croft, Granbury
- 284. 4.84 Mary Jane Orock, Fort Worth
- 294. 4.60 Jane Hopkins, Fort Worth
- 297. 4.50 Kent Baxter, Flower Mound
- 298. 4.45 Lillian Ethridge, Bluff Dale
- 299. 4.42 Robert Dove, Arlington
- 305. 4.10 Joyce Anderson, Fort Worth
- 309. 4.06 Wayne Williams, Weatherford
- 312. 3.90 John Robbins, Fort Worth
- 313. 3.89 Nelda Coonrod, Granbury
- 318. 3.37 Barry Malone, Arlington
- 319. 3.37 Al Mince, Arlington
- 320. 3.37 Mary Ellen Little, Trophy Club
- 324. 3.23 La Quitta Talbot, Keller
- 325. 3.23 Stephen Bennett, Fort Worth
- 326. 3.23 Bill Ream, Burleson
- 327. 3.10 Connie Chamberlain, Granbury
- 330. 3.08 Tawana Arnett, Denton
- 331. 3.08 Judy Crabtree, Denton
- 332. 3.06 Ronald Renckly, Denton

The complete regional masterpoint list, and including all event winners, is available online at the [*ACBL's Tournament Results*](#).

Unit 183 Numbers

As of June 1, our membership is 739, 10% of the D16 total, and the district's fourth largest unit behind only Houston, Dallas and Austin.

Unit 183 June STAC Results

Monday Aft Open 44 Tables Granbury Bridge Center

10.13 1A. Connie Chamberlain
- Pam Pickrell

Thursday Morn Open 50 Tables Denton Bridge Studio

5.51 1B. Gregory Sucec, Sr.
- Anne Kyle

2.46 1C. Ross Ramsey-Brian Eaton

Thursday Aft Open 24½ Tables, Fort Worth Bridge Studio

3.45 1C. Carolyn Powell
- Stanley Powell,

Friday Aft Side Pairs 4½ Tables Arlington Duplicate Bridge

2.25 1A. Melody Gann-Pat Cassidy
1.84 1B. Barbara Estep-Michael Estep

Saturday Aft Open 63 Tables Fort Worth Bridge Studio

13.31 1A. Linda Spangler
-Gary Neisler
2.76 1C. Michael Childs
- Dennis Johnson

Special Achievement



Linda Spangler of Fort Worth has gone over 15,000 MPs! A mighty feat for this Platinum Life Master and puts her inside the top 30 living masterpoint holders in all of District 16, and inside the top 40 all time. *Well done!*





**Fort Western
Unit 183 Club News**

**Fort Worth Bridge Studio
Ph: 817-877-3364
6715 Camp Bowie Blvd.,
Fort Worth TX 76116**

May Masterpoints leaders

- 1 13.93 Mary Orock
- 2 12.58 Gary Neisler
- 3 12.48 Kay Jones
- 4 10.63 Billy Leeper
- 5 10.52 Ellen Dutcher
- 6 10.38 Darlene Shirey
- 7 10.16 Jane Larimore
- 8 10.16 Jacque Montgomery
- 9 10.04 Ivan Uys
- 10 8.77 Patsy Walters
- 11 8.62 Bill Ream
- 12 7.82 David Branch
- 13 7.58 Lorraine Little
- 14 7.03 MB Howard
- 15 6.66 Ken Monzingo
- 16 6.22 Randy Eads
- 17 6.20 Cynthia Benton
- 18 6.10 Linda Spangler
- 19 6.09 Eloise Wray
- 20 5.09 Ginger Kennedy

Arlington Duplicate BC

**Ph: 817-795-1188
528 Fielder North Plaza,
Arlington TX 76011**

Top this One!

On June 6 Stephen Kornegay, North Richland Hills, and Kimmel Jones, Euless, had a monster 77.74% June game at the Arlington Duplicate Bridge Club

Burleson Duplicate BC

**Ph: 817-478-3665
210 SW Johnson Ave.,
Burleson TX 76028**

Denton Bridge Studio

**Budget Inn Hotel & Suites
Denton, TX 76205
Ph: 940-205-7300, 972-393-2986**

In the hopes that players will participate in the games more frequently, the board of DBS has recently increased the masterpoint limits on our Tuesday 10:30 game from 499 to 1000. We have also changed the time of our Saturday game from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM.

Granbury Bridge Club

**The Texas Cottage
5918 Henslee Court,
Granbury TX 76049
Mondays at 1200
Ph: 817-480-4472**

Bridge Academy of Flower Mound

**2701 Windsor Drive
Flower Mound TX 75028
Ph: 214-929-8128**

MAC Bridge

**Ph: 817 800 3886
Mansfield Activities Center/MAC
106 S. Wisteria, Mansfield TX**

For future Unit 183 Scorecard inclusions send happenings and/or photos to Ken Monzingo at kenm@kenmonzingo.com

KEN MONZINGO

Unit 183



**SOUTH TEXAS
UNIT 187
MELISSA PLUMB**

Hello friends!

I hope everyone is staying hydrated and cool during this scorching summer. As some of you may know, Dr. Mahesh Maruvada has moved to Houston. He played at the club and wished

everyone a heartfelt goodbye. Mahesh was very instrumental in helping the club behind the scenes. His contributions to the livelihood of the club shall not be forgotten. Mahesh, you are dearly missed.

Unit 187 would like to thank all players who contributed to The Longest Day fundraiser.

On July 4th the South Texas Bridge Club will be hosting a Unit Championship game. In addition, NAP games will be held on July 1st, 11th, 13th, 22nd, and 25th. These are wonderful opportunities to gain additional master points.

Unit 187 would like to congratulate Felicia Davis on becoming a Life Master! Those who know Felicia, can attest to her intelligence and competitive spirit. **Well done!**

Both clubs are always looking to increase our table count. If you need a partner, please do not hesitate to call the clubs and the directors will be more than elated to assist you. Online games on Bridge Base are also available to help support local clubs. However, seeing happy faces cannot be replaced.



In Rockport, Felicia Davis was celebrated for achieving Life



Master. Another big event is Carita Gould's 90th birthday on July 10. Carita is an original founder of the Rockport Duplicate Club. Her daughter, Terry Spang, also plays in the club and directs the Thursday game.

In Corpus Christi, we have had STAcC games and NAP as we all continue to pursue colored points. June 24 was the club's Longest Day game. Attendance is a little down due to vacations but we are optimistic it will grow soon.

If you are in the area, visit us for a game Monday, Wednesday, or Friday at 1:00pm in our new location at:

5959 South Staples Street, Suite 211.
Please call the club at 351-944-4421 for a reservation.

If you are vacationing in Rockport, join us for a game!
Call 361-790-6593 for a reservation.

*I look forward to seeing you
at the bridge table!*

Melissa Plumb
Unit 187



**FORT CONCHO
UNIT 204
NEAL PERLMAN**

The test move of the Tuesday evening game to Thursday eve was held 6 of 9 times. For 2022, high game was held by Terri Tedford and Brenda Chapman with a 62% (61% John Osborn and Marty Simpson).

Most wins with two was a tie between Louetta Green and Suzanne Dorris with Ginny Noelke and Neal Perlman.

The Tuesday night game has been around at least since 1970 and the discontinuation due to lack of interest is sad for those who want an evening game.

During the Covid times, 2020-2022, I have overlooked personal achievements by some players.

The Ace of Clubs and Mini McKinney standings, previously noted earlier this year, recognized leaders in every category. Joy Hardy recently made Silver life master. ***Congratulations.***

Other Silver LMs (1000-1500 points) in ascending order include Alberta Birk, Gene Cole, Mary Bloodworth, Charles Loeffler, Marifrances Watson, Toni Hurlbut, Dave Watson, Mary Jane McCord, Linda Cole, Nancy Harris, and Betty Horne.

Ruby LMs (1500-2500) include Patsy Rogers, Brenda Chapman, Sharon Haney and Carl McGill.

Gold LMs (2500-3500) are Barbara Wright, Iris Warren, Vicky Fisher and Judy Wilde.

Sapphire LMs (3500-5000) are Louetta Green, Gene Gammill, Suzanne Dorris and Sue Henry.

Diamond LMs (5000-7500) - Neal Perlman and Norma Walker

Emerald Life Master (7500-10,000) - Virginia Noelke

Congratulations to all.

I want to note that we have several members in pursuit of their next personal goal and it's a joy to see skills in bidding, declarer play and defense that go into the next step. In addition the immediate fun and spirit add to our bridge community.

Neal Perlman
Unit 204



**AMISTAD
(WESTERN MEXICO)
UNIT 205
MARY ANN WHITE**

Our seasonal bridge clubs in Puerto Vallarta, Mazatlan, and San Jose Cabo are now on hiatus until winter. Here's hoping they all come back stronger than ever as we continue to recover from the pandemic. Only time will tell...

Don't forget to make your plans to attend the Puerto Vallarta Regional from October 31-November 6 at the Westin Resort & Spa. Although we were forced to cancel the tournament in 2021, we will be going forward with the tournament in 2022.

Click on the image here for a copy of the tournament flyer:



Puerta Vallarta Regional





We will adhere to all ACBL health guidelines that are in place, as well as local guidelines for Puerto Vallarta and the Westin Resort & Spa, at the time of the tournament.

And if you're in the mood to travel and needing some silver points, consider attending the Sectional Tournament in Monterrey, Mexico, from September 21-24. Even though it is outside our unit, I plan to attend and hope you will, too. I suspect the players from Monterrey will have something special in store for us. I have been told they are excellent hosts. They are also very enthusiastic about increasing bridge participation in Monterrey and in Mexico, and deserve our thanks and support for their effort. This should be fun! See the flyer on pg 37 of this Scorecard edition or click on the picture here to get the flyer:



Monterrey Sectional

The Unit 205 Championship Game on April 21 was won by Boyce Robbins and Arthur Lebowitz with a score of 61.46%. The May 21 Unit Championship went to Tom Gillett and Donna McElroy who posted 65.63%.

Great games all!

District 16 Royal STaC week was April 11-17, and several of our Lake Chapala players performed very well.

Congratulations to Nicci Beninger and Carla Hickey who scored 68.06% on April 11 to finish second overall. Nicci did it again on April 12 playing with Lane Galloway. They posted a 69.35% game to finish first overall. Carol Cortez and Carla Hickey also had a nice game on April 15, coming in fifth overall with a score of 62.5%. Way to represent!

A shout out to the following players scoring 70% since our last report: Neal Hayden and Dee Lynn scored 72.38% in the 299r game at Lake Chapala on June 3 (5.5 tables). Also from Lake Chapala, Nicci Beninger and Boyce Robbins hit the 70% mark with 70.31% on April 28 (5 tables). And at the Baja Bridge Club, George and Paula Jauch had a big game with 77.5% on April 12 (3 tables).

Congratulations to all.

Mary Ann White

Unit 205



TEXAS CAPITAL
UNIT 207
RACHELL JACKSON

Our bridge activities depend on volunteers. Typically club, unit, district and top ACBL

events count on volunteers to make it happen. Right now, Unit 207 volunteers are in the final stretch of preparing to host the Firecracker Regional—our every-other-year regional.



Sally Sassen

Sally Sassen is our seasoned tournament chair, and she does a great job of organizing the volunteer team and staging an excellent tournament.

Sally teaches bridge, directs locally and on cruises, and starts new regular games all over the Austin area. Sally's got this tournament thing down pat!



Pat Berry

And speaking of Pat, one of our most constant and tireless volunteers is Pat Berry. She has been partnership chair for unit events and tournaments for the past many years. Pat improves partnering methods with each event, both digitally and physically.



Also, Pat is managing the event-naming program for the regional – it’s a labor of love.



Jean Durocher

Then, there’s Jean Durocher. For the Firecracker Regional, Jean is our “ambassador.” When I asked her exactly what the ambassador does, she replied, “Anything that needs to be done.”

And that one of the ways we know Jean. . . she shows up and does whatever needs to be done.

Thank you to Sally, Pat, Jean and to all of you who volunteer—we just couldn’t do it without you!



Harry Ingham

Harry Ingham manages a club in San Marcos and one in Buda/Kyle. He has served on the Unit 207 Board of Directors and is one of our bridge regulars.

When I asked Harry about his clubs, he said, “I was drawn back to bridge after a 20+ year absence in 2008, by a friend, Paul Talent. He invited me to try

a game run by Mary Ann Laier at the old Buda Senior Center. Then I met another new player, Mike Narin, and we did very well playing together.”

“Another regular at that game, Donna Williams, started talking about getting a game going in San Marcos. We found a place in the Price Center and had our first game in July of 2010. I was not yet certified as an ACBL director so Mary Ann ran the game. I went to the New Orleans National that month and took the Directors Course.

Mary Ann turned over the San Marcos and Buda games to me in 2011 and named the clubs HIBridge.”

Since then, the clubs have changed locations. The Buda game is at **CiCis Kyle Parkway (5695 Kyle Pkwy)**. In August of 2017, the San Marcos game moved to the **San Marcos Activity Center**, and the number of bridge players grew.

Harry continues with, “The pandemic was a big blow to all, as FTF games dissolved overnight!

Then, together with Barbara Morgan (who directs the New Braunfels games), we were able to bring in the Bridge Club of Austin, Fiesta Bridge Club of San Antonio, and nearly all smaller clubs in Units 207 and 172 to form the **Centex Alliance**. This kept bridge alive using online BBO and ACBL virtual games.”

“As the pandemic eased, the San Marcos Activity Center was slow to open, and then had a disastrous water main break and

resulting flooding of the facility and closing for repairs. We were able to resume with Kyle CiCi’s location, and Rose Brooks suggested we use her grandson’s establishment, the **RailYard Bar & Grill** in San Marcos. This has worked out well as we have food and drink available at both sites!”

“Our games feature electronic scoring, Commongame hands and hand records, maximum point award games, and the lowest fees around. You can expect to see games posted within a few minutes after the game!

We guarantee a partner for everyone at the game site before game time. (Director plays if needed!)

Like all games, reservations are requested and we are glad to help you find a partner. Games are Monday and Friday 10:00 at the **RailYard (116 S Edward Gary St** in San Marcos and Wednesday noon at the **Kyle CiCi’s (in plaza NE corner exit 215 of I-35)!**”

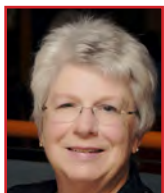
Harry sends out delightful and informative emails each week that detail the local happenings in the bridge world. He closes the emails with, “See you at the BRIDGE tables.”

Thank you, Harry, for keeping our Central Texas bridge community alive and growing.

Rachell Jackson

Unit 207





GREATER
PERMIAN BASIN
UNIT 209
ANN PARISH

Our big news was that in early June, Unit 209 hosted our first sectional tournament in two years! Yay! Finally!

However, we had some news in April and May as well. The Royal STaC games April 12th to 17th was very successful.

On Tuesday April 12th, in the afternoon, KC Evans and Debbie Conly were first in the club and third in the district; in the evening, Dale Linton and Nancy Ward won first in the Club and in the district.

On Wednesday, April 13th, KC Evans and Scott Vaughan won first in the club and in the district.

In our Thursday, April 14th game, which was also our Easter party, Paula Baggett and Sonya Hopkins were first in A, B, and C North/South, and they were also first in district. East/West winners in A and B were Belle Harris and Mary Burkholder. E/W first in C were Dale Linton and Nancy Ward.

On Friday, April 15th, Scott Vaughan and Kiki Powers won first in the club and third in the district.

On Saturday, April 17th, Deborah Brookins and Patti Heard were first in the club and first in the district.

The Odessa Duplicate Club was pleased to welcome back Shyla McGill. She has often traveled from Hobbs, NM to play in

Odessa. She has been ill and we were happy to have her for both the Friday and Saturday games, May 28th and 29th. We also hope to see Jim Hawkins again soon. He has been in the hospital and is now in rehab.

We had a number of pairs earn 70%+ games in April and May:

- April 12th: Dale Linton and Nancy Ward, 73.60%
- April 13th: KC Evans and Scott Vaughan, 70.83%
- April 18th: Amanda Shaw and Scott Vaughan, 70%
- April 21st: Marlene Blumentritt and Mary Truex, 70%
- May 12th: Sonya Hopkins and Marlene Blumentritt, 73.41%
- May 31st: Paula Baggett and Dale Linton, 70%
- May 5th: Bob Reimers and Mary Truex, 70.34%
- May 8th: KC Evans and Debbie Conly 70.83%

In preparation for our tournament, Bill Brooks led The Striping Team (Sonya Hopkins and Lonnie Yee) to paint new white stripes in our parking lot, so our players would park a little less haphazardly.

And the stripes worked!

On June 9th, the Thursday night group had a pre-tournament game with nine tables. Our tournament director, Scott Humphrey, played with Amanda Shaw and came in first overall. First in E/W were Marlene Blumentritt and Jimmie Jenson.

Finally, we were thrilled that we finally got to host our Tall City Sectional Tournament on June 10th-12th.

Scott Humphrey did his usual outstanding job as our tournament director. We had a total of 58 tables, and 44 players earned a combined total of 294.28 points.

This time we were able to invite everyone to our newly-remodeled Allison Bridge Center, instead of Midland College. As always, we had lot of great food. Most importantly, we had lots of great volunteers, led by Belle Harris and her tournament committee.

Winners are pictured in this edition of the *ScoreCard*.

We are looking forward to a summer of hot days and cool bridge.

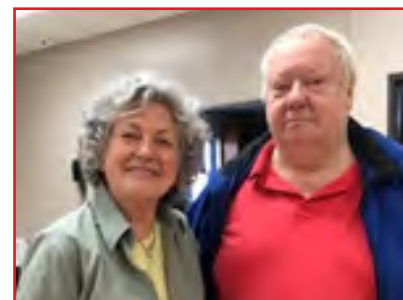
Ann Parish

Unit 209



EAST TEXAS
UNIT 225
SUSAN FORD

70% or more Games



Curtis & Donna
70% Game

- Curtis/Donna, 70.00% - 5/11, Sheila Bell DBC
- Brenda Baker/Mary Barley, 77.34% - 4/4, Rose City DBC



- Mary Barley/Jack Blumenthal, 72.50% - 4/29, Rose City DBC
- Judy/Curtis, 74.07% - 5/4 Sheila Bell DBC
- Karen Bell/Larry Brough, 71.88% - 5/10, Pittsburg DBC
- Mary Barley/Nancy Green, 75.6% - 5/16, Rose City DBC
- Nelda Avent/Mike Graham, 70% - 5/18, Longview DBC
- Gloria Rowland/Judy Adams, 70.14% - 6/7, Dottie Pirkle's DBC

Van Zandt DBC

Gloria Rowland was recently honored as "Club Champion" at Nannie's House.



Gloria Rowland receives the club trophy from Sandy Hilliard

In May Sandy Hilliard presented Gloria Rowland with the club trophy for the most points earned in the year 2021. Gloria has regular partners for every Canton game and is always willing to direct the game for Sandy when she needs her.

GOLD LIFE MASTER

"Royal STaC week in April was a great one for Bonnie Magee; she is our newest GOLD LIFE MASTER! Bonnie and Gloria Rowland placed 1st in Athens

and 6th in District 16 overalls on Thursday.



Gold Life Master
Bonnie Magee

Then the next day in Canton, she and Jo Ann Parten placed and that pushed her over 2,500 points. Here are congratulations from two of her longtime partners:

"I have been fortunate to play many sessions over the past 12 or so years with Bonnie. She is a super partner and a joy to play with.

Bonnie has worked hard and come a long way since 2009 when I first paired with her. Although she is extremely busy, she still finds time to join me on line a couple or so days a month.

Thank you, Bonnie for being one of my favorite partners and a good friend.

Congratulations to you, again!!!"

—Jimmy Wright

"Bonnie and I started playing together in the summer of 2005... and we are still playing together on BBO! (Not many partnerships last 17 years.)

When we started, neither of us played duplicate or knew any conventions. We decided we would continue in our "old" ways, but it

didn't take long for us to change our minds! We took lessons together and started playing VERY regularly. We attended lots of tournaments and had some wonderful times together. I am delighted that Bonnie achieved her GOLD life master....she has been a terrific partner!"

—Sandy Molander

In Memoriam

Sadly, we recently lost a beloved member of the Canton bridge club. Ros Tullos was 84 years old when she passed away on April 9th after being ill for several months. She and Sandy Hilliard were best friends.

They traveled with their bridge partners to tournaments and other "girl trips" just for fun. They also worked together on the Van Zandt County Child Welfare Board for years.

Ros' partners at our club included Tillie Reed, Greg Cooley, Barbara Bradford and other players from time to time.

Shelia Bell DBC

Lisa Looney held a special graduation party for her recent students. Love this gentleman's mortarboard!





Congratulations to our players in last week's tournament!



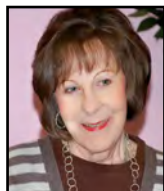
Swiss Team Sara Weber/Dena Hill, Donna Burnett/Demaris Hart played in the D16, GNT Online Tournament, Flight C, earning 5 Gold points and 5 Red points on May 29 &30, 2022.

Unit 225 Hapenings

The May Unit game had a total of 6 tables. The top place winners were Nancy Green and Peggy Singer with a 63.3% game. Congratulations to them.

Susan Ford

Unit 225



WICHITA FALLS
UNIT 353
MARSHA MAY

Dee's Going Away Party

Dee McKinley has played bridge for over 40 years with the majority of them at Unit 353 in Wichita Falls, Texas. Dee is married to Joe and has 2 sons, Denny and Kevin.

She also has many bridge friends who love her. Eight years ago I started taking bridge lessons and met Martha Keller. Martha and I became a team known as the M&M girls.

Dee and her long-time partner Wanda Hughes, Martha's sister, decided to take us under their wings. We often went to Dee's house to play bridge.

Each hand was discussed in detail and those evenings were so much fun. At our bridge club the gold point game was coming up

and Dee suggested that we split up so they could try to help us get a gold point. I played with Dee and Martha played with Wanda.

I have no idea how this happened but Dee and I won! I had gotten my first gold point. Later we went to several tournaments where we won more gold points. Below is a picture of us at a tournament.



Martha, Marsha, Dee and Wanda

Zoom Bridge Lessons Coming Soon

Charles Ford, Unit 225 member and certified bridge teacher, is putting together a plan to offer Beginner and Intermediate bridge lessons via Zoom.

The variety of lessons Charles plans to offer include but are not limited to:

- . Audrey Grant beginner lessons
- . 2/1 bidding system
- . New Minor Forcing
- . Play of the Hand

To view the complete list of lessons and details, click [here](#).

The sessions on Zoom will be in two parts. First, there will be the lecture portion which will be followed by play of practice hands.

For those unfamiliar with Zoom, it is easy to use and will work with any computer system. And, just think, you'll be able to participate live in lessons in the comfort of your own home.

At this time, Charles needs to know if you are interested in taking the Zoom lessons and which topics appeal to you most. Contact him via email, crfordsf@aol.com, and include this information.

Check back here for more information for exact times and details.



Dee is a wonderful teacher and mentor. She taught lessons on Wednesday afternoons until the pandemic hit. Carolyn Bell, the Unit's Secretary, and Suzanne Sosa, the Unit's Treasurer, helped organize the Wednesday sessions. We will certainly miss her guidance and bridge wisdom.



Carolyn, Dee and Suzanne

Dee has served on our Board of Directors several times over the years, most recently as the Membership Chair. Dee and Joe have moved to Dallas to be closer to Denny and Kevin.

The Unit gave her a wonderful "Going Away Party." We celebrated Dee with Mimosas, lunch and bridge. I have posted some photos of her party. Margaret Kirkland, pictured top center, has agreed to replace Dee on the Board.



Margaret serving Mimosas



Wanda, Joe, Dee and Nell Lister enjoying Mimosas. Lois Roberson is in the background. Wanda, Nell and Lois are Board Members.



Dee and Joe starting off the lunch line



Cathy Zinn, Gale Simpson, Faye Morrison and Margie Brown
Cathy is the Units Vice President



Dee and Marsha

We all enjoyed celebrating Dee at her party. We will miss her but are excited for her next adventure. She and Joe will enjoy being closer to family in their new Dallas home. Since Dallas is only a couple of hours away from Wichita Falls, she has promised to come back and visit her Unit 353 family often.

WE  YOU DEE!!!

Marsha May
Unit 353





MEXICO
UNIT 173
MARGARITA
DE MONTAGUD



HELLO BRIDGIST FRIENDS!!!

*We are waiting for you in
Monterrey /September*



This is our next sectional!!

The city of Monterrey awaits you to share with you not only the bridge our club shows you our customs but also our beloved and beautiful Mexico.

Margarita de Montagud
Unit 173



THE 99ER NITE CLUB

GREAT PLAY, LESSONS & LOADS OF FUN!
And...It's Only for You, New Players!

District 16 now has a BBO game just for the 0 to 99 player—
the "99er Nite Club"!

When: 6pm, 7 days a week
Where: Your Online Club*

Perks:

- ✓ **More Masterpoints** (cross club scoring)
- ✓ **Mini-Lessons** by Lynn Berg at 5:30 pm

*Check to make sure your club is participating. If your club has questions they should contact Nancy Strohmmer at:
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Ready to Graduate from the 0 to 99 Game?

D16's 199ER NITE CLUB GAME ON BBO IS YOUR NEXT STEP!
7 DAYS A WEEK AT 6:05 PM CST

- ✓ Recent graduates of the 0 to 99 group can play in a game with players of the same ability.
- ✓ Work during the day? Graduates continue to grow skills at a time that's "worker friendly".
- ✓ Safe environment where no sharks are allowed, because the game is limited to 199 mpts.
- ✓ Clubs benefit too and continue to receive payments for their participating players.

Clubs must be signed up to participate, just like for the 99ER NITE CLUB game.
Contact Nancy Strohmmer for details:
nastrohmmer@yahoo.com

New Game in Town



MONTERREY FALL SECTIONAL

Centro de Bridge Margara Garza Sada

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September 21 - 24, 2022



4 day sectional

Silver points
awarded
to winners

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Sectional Bridge Code:
Centro de Bridge

Room \$ 225.00 usd

Wednesday, September 21

10:00 am 0-199 Session 1
200+ Session 1

3:30 pm 0-199 Session 2
200+ Session 2

Friday, September 23

10:00 am 0-199 Session 1 of 2
200+ Session 1 of 2

3:30 pm 0-199 Session 2 of 2
200+ Session 2 of 2

Side game at each session

Thursday, September 22

10:00 am 0-199 Session 1
200+ Session 1

3:30 pm 0-199 Session 2
200+ Session 2

Saturday, September 24

10:00 am Swiss Teams
Open Side Game

Playthrough, lunch included for both
Swiss teams and Open side game
Finish around 5 pm

Stratification

0-199 Pairs:	A: 100-199	B: 50-99	C: 0-49
Open Pairs:	A: Unl	B: 500-1500	C: 200-499

Stratification for Swiss Teams

A: 1000+	B: 200-999	C: 0-199
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Games may be combined and stratified according to director's discretion.

Tournament fee: \$ 300.00 mxn per session

Swiss Teams: \$ 2,400.00 mxn per team



MIDLAND TALL CITY SECTIONAL WINNERS



Fri Aft Open Pairs A B
Paula Bayley – Belle Harris



Fri Aft Open Pairs C
Rebecca Barton - Janece Tucker



Fri Eve Open Pairs A
Ann Servatius – Kay Sewell



Fri Eve Open Pairs B-C
Paula Bayley – Robert Reimers



Fri Eve Open Pairs C
Paula Bayley – Juanice Welsh



Sat AM Open Pairs A
Debbie Conly – Kathryn Evans

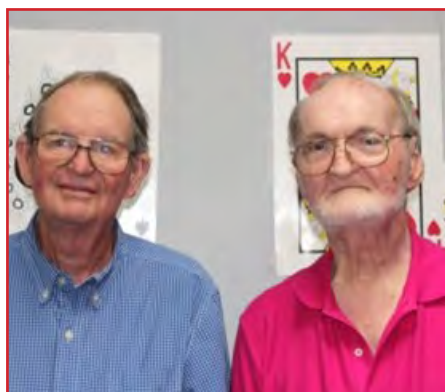


Sat AM Open Pairs B
Paul VanHoorebeke – Helen Lauderdale



Sat Aft Open Pairs A
Ann Servatius – Belle Harris





Sat Aft Open Pairs B-C
Richard Pike – James Alvis



Sat Eve Open Pairs A
Neal Perlman – Kathryn Evans



Sat Eve Open Pairs B
Robin Hughes – Belle Harris



Sun Swiss A
Betty Dickerson, Debbie Conly,
Neal Perlman, Kathryn Evans



Sun Swiss B-C
Helen Lauderdale, Janece Tucker,
Paul VanHoorebeke, Rebecca Barton

Not Pictured
Sat Eve Open Pairs C
Dale Linton – Ruth Martin





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The next edition of Scorecard will be published in September, 2022.
Content submissions are due by August 15th.

If for whatever reason you need more time, please let me know in advance so I can plan space.



New Braunfels Sectional

Great Hospitality September 8th – 11th 2022



New Braunfels Civic Center
380 Seguin Ave
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Duplicate Bridge

Join us and
have fun

Stratifications:

Strat A 2500+
Strat B 750-2500
Strat C 0-750

All events will be stratified based on
average master points

Card Fees:

\$10 per person
Sunday Swiss/\$120 per team **(Includes
Lunch)**
\$4 additional per session for lapsed ACBL
members

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Linda Banks: 512-557-5596
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Thursday, September 8th

10:00 AM Stratified Pairs
3:00 PM Stratified Swiss Teams

Friday, September 9th

10:00 AM Stratified Pairs
3:00 PM Stratified Pairs

Saturday, September 10th

10:00 AM Stratified Pairs
3:00 PM Stratified Pairs

Sunday, September 11th

10:00 AM Nell Morgan Bracketed Swiss Teams
second session TBA

499er Games

Thursday- Saturday

10:00 AM and 3:00 PM (3 Tables Minimum)



!! Current COVID 19 Precautions will be in effect !!



AUSTIN SPRING SECTIONAL WINNERS



Thurs & Fri PM Open Pairs Flt B
Ann Roe, Austin - Stuart Litwin,
Round Rock



Thurs AM Open Pairs Flt A
Tom Breed, Kingwood - Lilly Justman,
Austin



Thurs AM Open Pairs Flt B
Linda Lewis, Austin - Ed Davis, Austin



Thurs AM Swiss Teams Flts A & B
Jane Collins, Georgetown - W Kenneth
Davis, Austin - Jo Dee Bowen, Austin -
Melinda Simmen, Austin



Thurs PM Open Pairs Flt C
Mary Fanette, Round Rock -
Jim Ferguson, West Lake Hills



Thurs PM Swiss Teams Flt A
Anne LaCour, Georgetown - Pam
LaShelle, Georgetown - Richard Clarke,
Austin - James La Fountain, Temple



Thurs PM Swiss Teams Flt B
Elizabeth Ling, Austin - Mickey
Goldwater, Austin - Rebecca Parmentier,
Austin - Patricia Berry, Austin



Fri AM Open Pairs Flt A
Virgil Massey, Driftwood -
Charlene Sands, Pflugerville





Fri AM Open Pairs Flt B Paul Marino, Austin - Kathy McCabe, Austin



Fri AM Swiss Teams Flt A(Tie) Anne LaCour, Georgetown - Pam LaShelle, Georgetown - Ron LaCour, Georgetown - James La Fountain, Temple



Fri AM Swiss Teams Flt A(Tie) Patricia Berry, Austin - Mickey Goldwater, Austin - Rebecca Parmentier, Austin - Bobbie Gruhlkey, Austin



Fri PM Open Pairs Flt A Louis Sachar, Austin - Stephen Wood, Austin



Fri PM Open Pairs_Flt C Michael Fulk, Lynchburg VA - Thomas Thomas, Round Rock



Sat AM Flts A & B, Sat PM Flt B Open Pairs Kathryn Bailey, Dripping Spring - Barbara Morgan, New Braunfels



Sat PM Open Pairs Flt B Finn Kolesnick, Los Angeles CA - Walter Schafer Jr, Long Beach CA



Sat Round Robin Swiss Teams Flt B Steve Chen, Austin - Sarah Chen, Austin - Charlie Chen, Austin - Andrew Chen, Austin





AUSTIN SPRING SECTIONAL WINNERS CONTINUED



Sat Round Robin Swiss Teams Flt C
Rose Goodwin, Leander - Cindy Bell,
Austin - David Goodwin, Leander -
Tom Bell, Austin



Sun Open Swiss Flt A
Anne LaCour, Georgetown - Richard
Clarke, Austin - Pam LaShelle,
Georgetown - Ron LaCour, Georgetown
- James La Fountain, Temple



Sun Round Robin Swiss Flt A
Susan Breeding, Austin - James Glathar,
Austin - Juanita Painter, Austin -
Kyong Shuey, Austin

A FEW OF AUSTIN'S MILESTONE ACHIEVERS



APRIL
Back: Tom Chilton, Jim Ferguson, Dan Mudgett,
Tom Crouch, Jamie Southerland
Front: Gloria Wilson, Pat Berry



MAY
Paul Marino, David Sechrest



JUNE
Steve Luning, Sandra Reynolds, Mark Craig



Austin Sectional



0-200

August
13th & 14th

STRATIFIED PAIRS 1:30 pm

Entry Fee: \$8 per session
(\$12 for unpaid ACBL members)

**COFFEE & SNACKS
WILL BE PROVIDED**

♠ **Strat A** : 100-200

♥ **Strat B** : 50 - 100

♣ **Strat C** : 0 - 50

Strats may be adjusted
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Director: Larry Davis

COVID PRECAUTIONS

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NOTE THAT MASKS ARE CURRENTLY OPTIONAL

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THE MOST BEAUTIFUL GAME IN THE WORLD

By Patricia Herrera



As we all know, Bridge is the most beautiful game in the world. It is a sport that we like to call “a game” since it is so much fun.

Like any other sport, in bridge we need an authority that can help us out to determine what needs to be done when there are irregularities or disagreements at the table. We call them directors and every sanctioned game has to have one.

Having said that, rulings are not the only reason that bridge directors exist. Unlike many sports, bridge can be scored in many different ways and have different movements. A good bridge director is one that can choose a movement and direct in a way that the duplicate runs smoothly, on time and with the least problems, animosity and interruptions as possible.

Yes, it is more complicated that it seems. Being a good director requires great knowledge about duplicate laws and passing a test to prove it, but also having the skill to maintain discipline and adjust disputes.

WHAT ARE THE MAIN DUTIES OF A BRIDGE DIRECTOR?

The most important ones are:

- Help decide and choose the best scoring method and movement based on the number of players and other matters
- Ensure the game is played under equitable conditions for all players
- To guarantee that the game is played on time
- Dealing with matters that damage the game such as: late plays, rudeness, Inappropriate actions, foul language. Remember that the ACBL has a ZERO TOLERANCE policy on this
- To administer and interpret the laws. And he must bring the rule’s book EVERY TIME he makes a ruling
- Advising the players of their rights and responsibilities when revokes, bids out of turn, leads out of turn and other irregularities happen
- To adjust disputes such as failures to alert or announce, hesitations, breaks in tempo, etcetera
- Dealing with any matters delegated to him by the tournament organizer. Yes. The tournament organizer is the director’s boss and not the other way around
- To refer any matter to an appropriate committee, especially when he considers unethical behavior has taken place

For reasons I sometimes understand and I sometimes do not, there is some tension between players and directors. They vary in shape and form but as players, we must avoid contributing to this tension first by understanding that the director is a FRIEND OF THE TABLE. Yes, FRIEND.

A director is there to make sure justice is served AND we don’t have to argue with opponents. Specially if sometimes these opponents are our friends and we don’t want to create any sour feelings. Even more, they can be our soon-to-be friends or love interests, or bridge partners. So is better to have someone that does the difficult calls. Is like having a therapist that you can blame everything on!





So next time you see a director, say hi, learn his name, say thank you and don't hesitate to call him. Also, don't get offended if someone else does. Remember, he is everyone's friend ♥

Remember that we are all learning together. Please join us and encourage others to come and practice in a fun environment with others newcomers (0-50 points) every Monday from 4:00 to 5:40 pm CET on BBO. Email Kim Brinkman at beginner20bridge@gmail.com She will follow up and give you instructions on how to find the game

**0-50 PLAYERS
PLEASE JOIN US!**

And encourage others to come play and practice in a fun environment with others newcomers in the **0-50 point range.**

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Patricia Herrera
Education Coordinator



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FUN UNDER THE SUN: THE ACAPULCO SECTIONAL

By Patricia Herrera

*What can be more fun than the beach? And bridge?
And food? And friends? And music? And drinks? And dancing? Hard to choose, right?*

Well, the good news is, we didn't have to 🎉

Unit 173 just held its first Acapulco tourney. 🌴 ⭐ 🎉 It was a blast. Players from eleven countries showed up. We had people from Canada, the US, Spain, Scotland, Switzerland, France, Colombia, Venezuela, Argentina, Chile and Mexico. Several world champions and national winners were among the players and also some juniors who played for the first time in a sanctioned tournament. One is 15. Yes, he skipped school. 🤖 But the good news is he approved all courses and had a blast at the bridge table.

The tournament took place from Tuesday June 7th through Sunday June 12th. From Tuesday to Saturday, individual pair sessions took place and we had many winners, both in the A and B categories. On Sunday, a Swiss took place and many teams disputed the first place which was decided on the last match and went to Elena Sacal from Acapulco, Perla Sultán from Miami, Alejandro Bianchedi from Argentina and Gonzalo Herrera from Mexico City and tournament chair.

Every night after the second sessions, players would gather outside the playing area to eat some local delicacies such as tamales and quesadillas, drink a tequila (or two), go over the hands and sometimes even dance 🎉 🌟

Not only bridge was fun and intense, but also the social part. The organizers ensured, especially after two long pandemic years, that we remembered why we like to play face to face. Talk and interact and be safe together. There were no covid cases reported and some pf the players comments are:

“Congratulations! What a great tournament. People from 11 countries came and also people from Monterrey, Mexico City, Cuernavaca, Acapulco, Oaxaca and Ajijic. Thanks for bringing back that bridge from the 70s, I hope you do it next year. Congratulations!!!!!!”

Miriam Rosenberg,
National Champion and member
of the Mexican National Team

“It was truly a fantastic tournament! 🏆 🏆”

Mónica Shapira.
Argentinian/Mexican player

“Excellent tournament in Acapulco, congratulations to the organizers. Hopefully we will all continue working and participating in Mexico’s bridge”

Jorge Rosen
Argentinian/Mexican
player and director





Dear organizers, Thanks to you so much for everything. It was so great and that's me saying it even though I managed to finish in last place. 😄😄😄 Thanks again.

Anonymous player 🙄

Acapulco is a major seaport located in a beautiful bay in the south of Mexico, 380 kilometers south of Mexico City. Several cruise lines running between Panama and San Francisco, California, United States stop in Acapulco every single day and in the 1940s through the 1960s was a getaway for Hollywood stars and millionaires.

Some people were concerned and decided not to come to Acapulco based on it's past reputation. Yes, it was true. It got a bad rep sadly because of a wave of extreme violence in the mid 00's due to the drug war that has taken so many Mexican lives.

Fortunately, those dark days are in the past, you can ask any of the players that came and the tournament is held in the most exclusive and safe part of the city, called "Diamante" which is dominated by newer luxury high-rise hotels and condominiums.

So if you are thinking about it, please come, We believe everyone deserves a second chance and Acapulco is not the exception.

To cap off the week, the organizers held a prize-giving dinner ceremony on Sunday where we ate, drank, laughed and dance the amazing sound of a Cuban band hired just to entertain the players. It worked. I was asked not to share the videos due to some room for improvement in the dancing arena. If you want to see how a bunch of bridge players dance to Latin music, after an intense week of bridge, make sure you join us next year. 🌟🎉🌟🌴

For more info check www.acapulcotourney.com

– Info will be updated soon

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ACAPULCO FUN IN THE SUN



First Place: Alejandro Bianchedi, Perla Sultan, Elena Sacal and Gonzalo Herrera



Second Place: JJ, Marc Sylvestre, Owen Lien and Patricia Herrera



Alejandro Bianchedi and Perlita Sultan



Owen Lien and Marc Sylvester





Nicci Beninger
and Lane Galloway



Marc Sylvester
and Patricia Herrera



Sebastián Valenzuela
and Sandra Leal



Juan Carlos Castillo
and Elsa Castillo



Elena Sacal
and Gonzalo Herrera



Shown At Left: Margarita Montagud
(Partner Was Not Available)



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Wed. Thru Sunday Daily Schedule

10:00 Bracketed Swiss Teams
(1st Session)
Stratified Open Pairs
(1st Session)
GOLD RUSH PAIRS
(1st Session)
Morning Side Series
299er Stratified Pairs
(Single Session)

2:30 Bracketed Swiss Teams
(2nd Session)
Stratified Open Pairs
(2nd Session)
GOLD RUSH PAIRS
(2nd Session)
Afternoon Side Series
299er Stratified Pairs
(Single Session)

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Monday, Sept 5 Schedule

10:00 Strati-Flighted AX Swiss Teams
(2 Session Play-through)

Strati-Flighted BCD Swiss Teams
(2 Session Play-through)

Stratified Open Pairs
(Single Session)

1:30 Stratified Open Pairs
(Single Session)

Stratifications and Flighting Stratified Events

A:4000+ B:1250-4000 C 0-1250

Strati-Flighted Swiss:

A:5000+ X: 0-5000 (A and X play
together)

Strati-Flighted BCD Swiss:

B:1500-3000 C: 500-1500 D: 0-500
(BCD play together)

Note: for Strati-Flighted events:
Qualification is based on the maximum
MPs of any player on the pair/team.
Stratification within the flight is based on
average MPs.

Tournament will follow ACBL COVID protocols in place at the time of the event.