



What's New in District 22

In the Open Pairs, Carol Brager - Kannan Dan were third in C, Jean and Bill Seager were fourth in C, and Marian Sullivan - Jeanne Wade were fifth in C. Swiss Teams winners were Carol Brager and her team, with an impressive first in C and 2/3 in B, and Chriseeta Sloan, Marianne Amantea, Gayle Welty and Jackie Mullin, who finished second in C.

At the Glitter Gulch Sectional in Las Vegas, Anne and Bob Hallse did well in the 299er games. They were first in E and sixth in C in one competition and third in E in another. Jean and Bill Seager were third in B in a pairs game.

The STAC game at the Eastlake Bridge Club produced some big winners in the 64-table event. Vicky and Larry Bamberger were third in B, Kamal and Kalpana Parikh were fourth in C, and Martha Walker - Donna Rafenstein were fifth in B.

In other games at Eastlake, Bruce Zissen - Jim Ciolli won twice, once with a 70 percent game. Judy and Roy Shepard and Craig Cole - Osman Guner also had 70 percent games. Other winners were Donna Rafenstein - Carol Adair, Osman Guner - Dan Bloch, Dan Sandweiss and Linda MacKey, Dan Bloch - Ellie Elphick, Chuck Wright and Paul Taylor, Dan Sandweiss and Liz Piazzoni, Fran - Denny Selder, Jan and Lynne Erikson, and Kathleen Hennessy - Craig Cole. Also victorious were Fran and Doral Hunter, Tom Ciolli - Osman Guner, Jean Chene - Doris Wilson, Hiroko Kitamura - Judy Bunch, Laurie Dodson - Beverly Sanchez, Cheryl Rankin - Carol Adair, Jim Ciolli - Francie Collins, and Maxine McIntosh - Linda MacKey.

In the Swiss competition at Eastlake, winners were Craig Cole, Linda Dusharme, Cheryl Rankin and Tom Turner; John and Linda Dusharme and Kalpana and Kamal Parkih; Helen Goldstein, Osman Guner, Peter Clark and Philippe Gagne; Janet and Don Bonney and Liz and Gary Piazzoni; and Doral and Fran Hunter, Cheryl Rankin and Carol Adair.

In Coronado, Bill and Eleanor Kipperman won last month's unit game. Phil Akre won four times, twice with Ginger Herrick and twice with Norma Lyerly. Other winners include John Pizzato - John Malskis, Ginger Herrick - Steve Heller, Sandy Dinnsen - Elsie Murphy, Marty and Leila Bloomberg, Jan and Lynne Erikson, Dick Palmer - Al Schuster, and Dick Palmer - John Pizzato. Happy spring to all.

Dana Harbor

By Steven Jackson

Dana Harbor is proud to report that five of our members made the Barry Crane 500 in 2011. They are Mark Itabashi (1873 masterpoints, 5th place), Steven Love (1038, 68th), Philip Heistand (665, 218th), Larry Sharp (641, 239th), and James Senter (526, 373rd).

We also had several members who finished in the top 25 nationally in the Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs competition in their respective categories: Carol Foster, Larry Sharp, Philip Heistand, Patricia Menefee, Steven Love, James Senter, and Mark Itabashi.

In addition, we had several members in the top 25 nationally in the Mini-McKen-

ney masterpoint competition: Carol Foster, Gary Waldron, Philip Heistand, Larry Sharp, Steven Love, and Mark Itabashi.

Members taking 1st place at Spring D22/D23 STAC were David Kates, George Brody, Ann Engraff, Frank Engraff, Bonnie Douglass, Happy Zant, Keith Krause, John Schreiber, Joseph Kivel, Chris Larsen, Mark Leonard, Phil Clayton, John Jonas, Linda Jonas, Steven Jackson, Yann Jackson, Hemant Bhatia, Kumar Jain, James George, Susan George.

Members earning 20+ MPs at STAC were Mark Itabashi and Steve Love. Mark also was first at the Las Vegas Sectional, and at the San Diego Spring Sectional.

The club's top masterpoint winners in March were Larry Sharp, Laverne Marano, and Patricia Menefee. The top masterpoint winners in the 299 games were Carol Foster, Gary Waldron, and Carol Stiff.

Our unit game was March 18. Ron Lien and Mark Tang were the overall winners in the Open sections. Mary Heiney and Odile Gendreau were the overall winners in the 499 section.

Welcome new and transferring members George Harwood, Lenore Maglin, Amy Brown, Francis Foresta, Toni Helms, Barbara Picheny, and John Schreiber.

Advancing in rank are: Club Masters, Kevin Benson - Brown and Carleen Morgall; Sectional Masters - Stephanie Fletke and Dianna Hoffman; Regional Master - Randee Yoder; NABC Master - Michael Campbell; Life Master - Jane King; Bronze Life Master - Alan Dirkin; and Diamond Life Master - Susan Benon.

Judy Elbogen is our new club manager. Welcome, Judy.

April is Charity Month - all of our games will be charity games with extra points.

We are now providing a light lunch before afternoon weekday games. Sandwiches and salads were made available starting April 1 (no foolin'!).

Dana Harbor hosted the finals of the District 22 Open and Flight B Grand National Teams April 14 and 15. Also, our April unit game was April 15. Results will be reported next month.

Desert Cities

By Nancy Erickson

Our April unit game included the presentation of Unit 533 awards for 2011. President Maniscalco recognized our Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney recipients: Dennis Sapire, Shirley Gibson, Tad Krusiewicz, Tom Whitehurst, Mary Lodge, Firoza Cooper, Francesa Luzuriaga, Carol Guinaw, Betty Gibson, Nance Lodge, David Lodge, Robert Inch, Neil Stern, Marilyn Hahn, Jim Darvey, Audrey Currie, Irv Kostal, Rhoda Walsh and Bruce Ferguson.

Congratulations go out to Dennis, Tad and Neil, who also placed nationally.

Long-standing unit awards were also presented. Bruce Ferguson and Brenda Keller received the Lucy Mitchell Award as top masterpoint winners, and Cindy Selberg received the Barbara Mondo Memorial Award given yearly to the top 299er masterpoint winner. Rhoda Walsh's name graces the Global Zobel Award. This award is for the individual who has the best overall

percentage at our monthly unit games.

Recognizing the need to begin to acknowledge annually our unit volunteers, the board established the Nancy and Ronald Erickson Volunteer Award. The Ericksons were the first awardees. Over the years there have been so many individuals worthy of such recognition. Alice Taylor and Bea Cohen, who did the Bridge Mix for years; Judy McClintic, who ran Back to Bridge which introduced so many to the game; Rita Greenwood and Rose Marie Duff, who ran sectionals and unit games; and Bob McConnell, who ran the website ... just to name a few. The unit will never lack for nominees in the future.

Finally, the Edith Hirschman Sportsmanship Award was given to Gary Delestine. Gary was chosen by the committee for his positive attitude at the table. Gary joins our other four EHA award winners who embrace the tenets of zero tolerance and exhibit all the best attributes of duplicate bridge.

Winners of the April unit game were Mac and Jamie Steen. Rita Docken and Jamie Alperin were a respectable second. Robert Robinson and Shirley Fitterman, Jeff Porter and David Goetz also placed in the top four. Patricia Christy and Firoza Cooper took home first place honors in the 299er game, with Wally and Elsie Marsh coming in first N/S. Mick Riccio directed and the members of the board provided the munchies: what would the prez do without his fabulous first lady, Barbara?

Ros Hack, club director of Sunshine and Smiles, was elected a regional director/board member by the American Bridge Teacher's Association.

Congratulations, Ros! Congratulations also to the Lew Greenwood Award winners: 0-49 Dennis Peacock, 50-149 Jack Stroud and 150-299 Mike Kitzmiller. The Greenwood Award is an innovative approach to provide our I/N players a chance to shine as well as to earn opportunities to play.

The unit's Bridge in Schools initiative kicked off April 11. With retired teach-

ers and Unit 533's own Alex McCune and Royanne Richert at the helm, the students are in good hands and in for a fun-filled learning experience. Unit 533 in partnership with the Coachella Valley Bridge Foundation, Mizell Senior Center and ACBL hopes the program will generate enthusiasm with the younger generation for the game of bridge. Nance Lodge, Cookie Ostrow, Dave Cummings, Barb Hopewell and yours truly will make up the core of volunteer support.

Congratulations to our members for achieving the following promotions: Silver Life Master Marlene Klinger, and Bronze Life Master Jacky Schiff.

We welcome new Unit 533 members Susan Armstrong, George Hubman, Sidney Lantor and Bill Walter.

Mark your calendars for unit games June 3, July 1, August 5, September 9, October 7, November 4 (2-session game) and December 2 Holiday Party.

The unit mourns the passing of Stuart Fletcher. Stu was a valuable member of the board of directors and a super great person.

A shout out to Bob Inch: all of us anxiously await your return to the tables.

High Desert

By Steve Klein

The big news this month is that Eiko Miller's daughter Yuka has a new baby boy, Eiko's first grandchild. Mother and baby are doing fine, and as this is written, Eiko is in Japan to visit and help out. (She should be back by press time.)

To give you an idea about the makeup of the Big Bear Club, new grandmother Eiko is the youngest player here, except for a couple of the new students.

Speaking of the students, they continue to make progress. In the final game of March, Terri Dicius (partnered with Chaz Langdon) took home first place. By a pretty fair margin, too ... 14 IMPs ahead of the pairs

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ACBL Unit 534's 21st

Temecula Sectional

Friday, Saturday & Sunday
June 1-3, 2012

Temecula Community Recreation Center
30875 Rancho Vista Road, Temecula, CA 92592
(33 miles south of Corona, CA and 60 miles north of San Diego, CA)

Friday & Saturday Single Sessions:

10:00 AM & 3:00 PM
(A:2000+, B:750-2000, C:0-750)
(299ers: 200-300, 100-200, 0-100)
Free Coffee, Tea, Cookies, Snacks

Sunday Swiss: 10:30 AM

(A:3000+, AX:0-3000, B:1250-2000, C:500-1250, D:0-500)
Light lunch provided.
Sanction # S1206023

Tournament Manager: Sherril Maag 951-698-5460
Director-in-Charge: Arlene Harvey

Partnerships

Online: <http://www.acbldistrict22.com/534/pDesk.php>
Partnership Chair: Cyrus Rezayat 951-652-7768

Pair Games; \$9 per player
Swiss Teams: \$92 per team (includes lunch)
\$1 extra for non-ACBL members

Contact Tournament Manager for hotel information

Esplanade Bridge Center



Mon 6:30pm (Open Fast Pairs)
Tues / Sat - 10:00am (199ers)
Fri - 9:00am (Open)
Wed / Sun - 12:30pm (Open)
Wed 6:00pm & Fri 12:30pm (Supervised Play)
Tues / Thurs - 6:30pm (Open)

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