



# District 21 Unitscope

Boyd & Charles Rollins; 2nd, Lyn Sacco & Barbara Hanson; 3rd, Andrew Fine & Mark Kogan; section A E/W: 1st, Bradly Komsthoft & Richard Ahlf; 2nd, Trisha O'Connor & Jennifer; 3rd, Judy Kelling & Marian Renvall; section B: N/S: 1st, Jerry Weitzner & Robert Barnes; 2nd, Addie Mattox & Margaret Cross; 3rd, Grant Robinson & John Schelling; section B E/W: 1st, Larry Miller & Susan Kimmel; 2nd, Bonnie Johnson & Derek Southern; 3rd, Robert Pastor & Susan Schlicht.

I played with Evelyn Holyz, certified tournament director for the ACBL. What a privilege to play with such a smart, and very nice, lady. Evelyn has a very contagious smile and laugh. A great time was had by all, even if we didn't score.

Spreading more joy, I wanted to acknowledge some newer players who consistently simmer along, scoring masterpoints, like Ira Feldman, Clare Smith, Gregg Riehi, Linda Ingham, Susan Schlicht, Greta Westoson, Patti Kogan, and Faith Greenburg are just a sampling. I can't mention you all, please don't stew, if I've overlooked you too. Please email me at [Lisacooks1@aol.com](mailto:Lisacooks1@aol.com)

Bragging is just fine.

So, there's more to tout about, like the sweet successes of the following folks. Life Master went to Betty Argabright,

Gayle Everett, Marian Kessler, Cynthia Kight, Mike Kruley, Lorrain Weisenberg, and Felicity Warner.

Jeannine Dolgin secured silver. One of my favorite metals, gold, went to Robert Pastor. Congratulations to all. And that's the way the cookie crumbles. *Ciao Bella*

## East Bay

By Sandi Davis

**R**eminder: On Sunday, April 2, the unit game at the EBCBC is cancelled due to the GNT Flight A event.

On Sunday, April 16, the unit will honor the recipients of the 2016 Mini-McKenney and Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs awards. The honorees for Ace of Clubs are: Gail Oraftik (0-5), Nancy Morton (50-100), Marcia Wasserman (300-500), Cathleen Otvos (1500-2500), Otto Edor (2500-3500), and Susan Wiebe (5000-7500). The honorees for the Mini-McKenney are: Pam Sawyer (0-5), Arne Wagner (50-100), Steven Drucker (300-500), Ed Seputis (1500-2500), Stephen Kennedy (2500-3500), and Eric Leong (5000-7500). The winners of both races are: Don Levine (5-20), Ira Feldman (20-50), Amy Hansell (100-200), Russ Kirschenbaum (200-300), David Snyder

(500-1000), Neal Mazaroff (1000-1500), Cole Powell (3500-5000), and Stephen Kanzee (7500-10,000). Congratulations on a great year!

The Saturday games at the center in April will be on the 8th & 22nd. Game time is noon and sign-ups can be made at the EBCBC website. Winners of the first Saturday game were John Santibanes & Tom McKelvey. Winners of the second Saturday game were Pat & Jim Leary. Come play!

At the February 5 unit game, Pat Leary & Franklin Lowenthal claimed 1st OA with David Snyder & Fred Schwartz winning E/W. At the February 19 unit game, OA winners were N/S Pat & Jim Leary with E/W Teresa Boyd & Grant Robinson won their direction. At the March 5 game, E/W Bonnie Macbride & Irwin Lichtblau were OA winners with Susan Wiebe & Sandi Davis winning N/S. Congrats to all!

Also, this is just a reminder that we have one evening game each week at the Piedmont Veteran's Center at 7:30 p.m. At the February 27 game, Lisa Euphrat & Daisy Roman finished 1st in the 499er edged out for 1st in the OA by Amy Hansell & Sarla Purohit. In the open, Sidney Mar & Hank Sigal beat all comers.

We welcome new members Sue Burish and Jennie Schacht to the unit. Also, welcome to transfers Kim Malcolm, Julian Manasse-Boetani, and Kelsey Muchacho. There are also Master rank advancements to be recognized: Richard Springer (Junior), Gail Oraftik (Club), Stephen Bess, William Smith (Regional), Susie Chung (NABC), Estelle Baum, Esther Rubke, Libby Silver (Bronze Life). Welcome and congratulate them when you see them.

On the tournament trail, we had some

winners at the Livermore Sectional in January. Tina Heldman & Eileen Thompson, J. D. Lin & Marcia Mattoon, Ed Seputis & Denis Racine, and Nick Wiebe & Alan Davis all placed in the pairs game. Mark Moss' team won the Bracket 1 Swiss Teams. At the B-E-R Sectional, winners were Grant Vance & Andres Fargeix, Cole Powell & Doug Couchman, Lisa Euphrat & Sarla Purohit, Lois Flock & Ernie Scosseria, Marcia Mattoon & Audrey Ross, and Kathleen Clancy & Marilyn Bookbinder. In the Sunday Swiss Teams, Lisa, Sarla, Amy Hansell and Lili Basset won their bracket.

Well done, everyone.

If you have any news and you'd like to see your name in print, email me at [sandi.davisd21@gmail.com](mailto:sandi.davisd21@gmail.com) & let me know what's on your mind.

## Fresno

By Laura Da Costa

**F**or the second year in a row, The Fresno Winter Sectional fell on Presidents Day weekend. This year, we took advantage of the weekend by running our tournament from Friday through Monday. Thanks to all of you that attended and made this the best sectional in years! It was especially nice to see that the 499er game not only took place in all scheduled sessions, but it also never had less than four tables. Our Saturday 199er game even managed to have nine tables! As tournament chair, I thank Dianne Barton-Paine (tournament director), Mary Lou Pease (partnership), and Jackie Finn (hospitality). I would also like to recognize all our members who brought refreshments or donated money towards the refreshments; we were very

(Continued on page 12)

## Sacramento-- Continued from page 1

And, you only play within your bracket, so if you're a lower level, you don't have to play up with the "big guns."

Sunday, keep your teams together and join the fun in the play-through Swiss Teams events: A/X, 0-2000 MP Round Robin teams (same format as the Bracketed Swiss Teams), Senior Swiss Teams (must be 60 years of age), or 299er Swiss

Teams! Or, if you prefer, we have Open Fast Pairs (two fast sessions), and 299er Pairs.

**S**o, start making your plans! There's simply too much bridge to miss at this tournament. I hope you enjoy the blossoms and the flowers! See you soon in River City.



## FIRECRACKER SUPER SECTIONAL

June 28th to July 2nd, 2017

**Palo Alto Bridge Club; 432 Stierlin Road; Mountain View, CA 94043**

Free parking at the Bridge Center and Buddhist Temple opposite. Car pooling encouraged.

Delicious home prepared food for sale. Morning coffee and specialty pastries daily. Sandwich style lunches with snack options on Thursday through Sunday.

Tournament hotel: Sheraton Sunnyvale, 1100 N. Matilda Ave, Sunnyvale CA 94089.  
For \$99/\$119 bridge rate, call 408 745 6000 or go to the PABC website to use the booking link.

For the very latest information, go to: [www.paloaltobridge.com](http://www.paloaltobridge.com)



### Come for Silver Point Fun

Pairs games for players at all levels, including 0-5 beginner games.  
Full and Compact KOs and Swiss team games.

Schedule		Tournament Information	
<b>Welcome Wednesday June 28th</b>			
Open Stratified Pairs	1:00 pm	7:00 pm	<b>Stratifications, by pair or team average</b> 2000+ / 2000 / 750 500 / 300 / 200 100 / 50 / 0 Stratifications may be adjusted by director to suit entries.  KO events may be handicapped. If insufficient entries, bracketed games may be stratified, at director's discretion.  <b>Table Fees:</b> \$12 per session for paid ACBL members. \$15 for others. Youth (students under 26) half price, except for the free 0-5 games on Saturday  <b>Tournament Chair:</b> Gill Barsley <a href="mailto:gillbarsley@gmail.com">gillbarsley@gmail.com</a> (650) 796 5406  <b>Partnership Chair:</b> Joni Smith <a href="mailto:jonips@comcast.net">jonips@comcast.net</a> (408) 466 9757  <b>Full Information:</b> For directions, parking details and much more, visit the Firecracker web page at <a href="http://www.paloaltobridge.com">www.paloaltobridge.com</a>
99er and 499er Stratified Pairs	1:00 pm	7:00 pm	
Bracketed Swiss Teams	1:00 pm	7:00 pm	
<b>Thoughtful Thursday June 29th</b>			
Open Stratified Pairs, 2 session	10:00 am	3:00 pm	<b>Stratifications, by pair or team average</b> 2000+ / 2000 / 750 500 / 300 / 200 100 / 50 / 0 Stratifications may be adjusted by director to suit entries.  KO events may be handicapped. If insufficient entries, bracketed games may be stratified, at director's discretion.  <b>Table Fees:</b> \$12 per session for paid ACBL members. \$15 for others. Youth (students under 26) half price, except for the free 0-5 games on Saturday  <b>Tournament Chair:</b> Gill Barsley <a href="mailto:gillbarsley@gmail.com">gillbarsley@gmail.com</a> (650) 796 5406  <b>Partnership Chair:</b> Joni Smith <a href="mailto:jonips@comcast.net">jonips@comcast.net</a> (408) 466 9757  <b>Full Information:</b> For directions, parking details and much more, visit the Firecracker web page at <a href="http://www.paloaltobridge.com">www.paloaltobridge.com</a>
Side Stratified Pairs	10:00 am	3:00 pm	
499er Stratified Pairs	10:00 am	3:00 pm	
99er Stratified Pairs	10:00 am	3:00 pm	
Compact KO, rounds 1&2, 3&4	10:00 am	3:00 pm	
<b>Fantastic Friday June 30th</b>			
Open Stratified Pairs	10:00 am	3:00 pm	<b>Stratifications, by pair or team average</b> 2000+ / 2000 / 750 500 / 300 / 200 100 / 50 / 0 Stratifications may be adjusted by director to suit entries.  KO events may be handicapped. If insufficient entries, bracketed games may be stratified, at director's discretion.  <b>Table Fees:</b> \$12 per session for paid ACBL members. \$15 for others. Youth (students under 26) half price, except for the free 0-5 games on Saturday  <b>Tournament Chair:</b> Gill Barsley <a href="mailto:gillbarsley@gmail.com">gillbarsley@gmail.com</a> (650) 796 5406  <b>Partnership Chair:</b> Joni Smith <a href="mailto:jonips@comcast.net">jonips@comcast.net</a> (408) 466 9757  <b>Full Information:</b> For directions, parking details and much more, visit the Firecracker web page at <a href="http://www.paloaltobridge.com">www.paloaltobridge.com</a>
499er Stratified Pairs	10:00 am	3:00 pm	
99er Stratified Pairs	10:00 am	3:00 pm	
Bracketed KO, rounds 1&2 of 4	10:00 am	3:00 pm	
continues Sat. 10:00 am	10:00 am	3:00 pm	
<b>Super Saturday July 1st</b>			
Open Stratified Pairs, 2 session	10:00 am	3:00 pm	<b>Stratifications, by pair or team average</b> 2000+ / 2000 / 750 500 / 300 / 200 100 / 50 / 0 Stratifications may be adjusted by director to suit entries.  KO events may be handicapped. If insufficient entries, bracketed games may be stratified, at director's discretion.  <b>Table Fees:</b> \$12 per session for paid ACBL members. \$15 for others. Youth (students under 26) half price, except for the free 0-5 games on Saturday  <b>Tournament Chair:</b> Gill Barsley <a href="mailto:gillbarsley@gmail.com">gillbarsley@gmail.com</a> (650) 796 5406  <b>Partnership Chair:</b> Joni Smith <a href="mailto:jonips@comcast.net">jonips@comcast.net</a> (408) 466 9757  <b>Full Information:</b> For directions, parking details and much more, visit the Firecracker web page at <a href="http://www.paloaltobridge.com">www.paloaltobridge.com</a>
Side Stratified Pairs	10:00 am	3:00 pm	
499er Stratified Pairs	10:00 am	3:00 pm	
99er Stratified Pairs	10:00 am	3:00 pm	
0-5 Beginner Pairs. Free Youth Entry.	10:00 am	3:00 pm	
<b>Swiss Sunday July 2nd</b>			
Bracketed Swiss Teams	10:00 am	2:15 pm	
Fast Pairs	10:00 am	2:15 pm	

V.1.5 3/3/16



## Reno April Showers Sectional

April 19-23 2017

**NLM Sections!**

**Predealt Hands**

**Nugget Casino Resort**

<http://www.nuggetcasinoresort.com/>  
 1100 Nugget Ave., Sparks NV  
 800-648-1177, Use group code **GACBL**  
**Rooms from \$49 (Sun-Thu) \$129 (Fri-Sat)**  
**Plus 13.5% room tax, includes:**

1. Wireless Internet in guest rooms
2. Bottled water, two bottles per room per day
3. Complimentary Round-trip shuttle to and from Reno Tahoe International Airport
4. Use of the year-round Atrium Pool
5. Use of the Fitness Center
6. In-room, brew own coffee, regular and decaf
7. Local and toll-free calls
8. Complimentary valet parking
9. Self-parking in secured covered parking structure
10. Printing of airline boarding passes

**Table Fees:** \$10.00 ACBL Members, \$13.00 Non-members.

**Open Strats:** 0-750/750-2000/2000+  
**NLM Strats:** 0-100/100-200/200-500 NLM  
 Each player must be a non-life master with fewer than 500 MPs  
**Open Flights:** A/X (0-3000/3000+)  
 BCD (0-200/200-500/500-1500)  
 All Stratifications base on pair/team average.

Wednesday, April 19	
Noon	Stratified Open Pairs Stratified NLM* Pairs
5:30 pm	Eight is Enough SWISS Stratified Pairs Side
Thursday, April 20	
10 am	Stratified Open Pairs Stratified NLM* Pairs
3:30 pm	Strati-flighted Open Pairs A/X and BCD sections
Friday, April 21	
10 am	Stratified Open Pairs Stratified NLM* Pairs
3:30 pm	Strati-flighted Open Pairs
Saturday, April 22	
10 am & 3:30 pm	Strati-flighted Open Pairs, two sessions, play through.
also	2-Single Session Side Games
and	2-Stratified NLM* pairs
Sunday, April 23	
10 am & TBA	Strati-flighted Swiss Teams (A/X or B/C/D) <i>One session teams allowed</i>

**Eight is Enough teams: 8 points/team**

- 0-500 Mps = 1 pt
- 501-2000 = 2 pts
- >2000 = 3 pts



American Contract Bridge League

**Sanction #S1704130**      **Director in Charge: Dianne Barton-Paine**  
**Partnerships:** Ruth Swain - [ruthataurus10@gmail.com](mailto:ruthataurus10@gmail.com) (preferred) - 701-261-4272 (or text)  
**Chair:** Wayne Gordon - [sonomabridge@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sonomabridge@sbcglobal.net) 775-409-4099 - 707-494-8720 (or text)