

What's New in District 22

Gamer. Club Masters: Barbara Beaton, Sheri Hallis, Margaret Sohn. Life Masters: Bridget Poizner, Jacque Tucker. Silver Life Master: Marilyn Peters-Dunn. These special people are honored at unit games. They also receive a free play with a 3-month window for any one of our unit games, first/third or fifth Sunday (if we have one). Our Award Chair makes contact and awards. Congratulations!

Keep up on our latest news at sandiegobridge.com ... nice way for other players to contact you! A member of any unit is welcome.

Wirt Gilliam, *Adventures in Bridge* (adventuresinbridge.com). Check out the website. Game results are posted quickly, and there's a description of all available games and the great lessons. The new location is a huge success.

Dave Walters, *San Diego Bridge Academy* (sandiegobridgeacademy.com) and *Redwood Bridge Club* (redwoodbridgeclub.org). David Walters, director. Centrally located in beautiful Balboa Park at 6th Ave. and Redwood St., Redwood Bridge Club is the place to be for quality bridge and good fun. We hold at least two games each day, Monday through Saturday, with computerized scoring and a relaxed atmosphere. The Saturday noon game is the best deal in town: an ACBL-sanctioned game for just \$3.00 for club members and \$7.00 for non-members! Check the schedule page at either of our websites for the full schedule and fees.

Note: the new "supervised play" session every Wednesday from 9:30-noon and the free youth bridge on Saturday mornings. Contact Marge Van Hemert at 619 421-0813 for details about youth bridge. There's a home-cooked dinner on Saturday evenings (RSVP to David at least a day in advance for the meal, please). For the sanctioned game on Thursday evenings, contact Betty Riedler at 619 276-3476.

Kathie Angione, *John Lagodimos* (sandiegobridgeclub.com). They have one game a week Tuesday morning at 10:30 a.m.; games are currently held at 4425 Home Avenue, San Diego 92105, The Knights of Columbus Club. There is a Stratified Open Pairs game concurrent with a 299ers game. Further information is on our website.

San Diego North County Coastal

By Christine Denny

Congratulations to Rick Gold and Rick Kerbel for nabbing the top spot in our unit game this month. Gene Katz and Caryn Villalon were the runners-up. In the NLM section, Nancy Busher and Susan Cronenwett won 1st overall. Well done!

Please welcome new Unit 531 members William Voyzey and Melvin Spira. We think you're gonna like it here!

Mr. Great Guy himself, Lynn Wells, has gone gold. Lynn took pity on me in my early bridge days and let me play on some teams with him and his wife, and in addition to being an amazing bridge player, he is about the world's nicest guy. Please give him a congratulatory noogie when you see him at the table.

Another big milestone for Paula Alexander and Raymond Gogolewski, who have both achieved the lauded Life Master status. Keep up the good work. And congratulations are in order for Bruce Bosworth, Sectional Master, and new Club Master, Dean Cunningham.

Cardiff by the Sea: Harvey Goldstein

We started off the new year with an exceptional game from a pair that has recently found each other. Carol Veit and Jack Benoualid met each other several months ago and found nirvana. They have scratched a majority of the times they have played, but never as well as their most recent game where they had a 1st overall standing while playing against 59 other pairs. Their game was an outstanding 69.64%, just missing the coveted 70% mark. They were not disappointed; in fact they were delighted. It is always nice to see a pair find each

other and then do great things. Congratulations Carol and Jack, *You Did Good*.

Later in the month another pair, Julie Greenberg and Charles Stoopack, had an overall win with a 65% game. They actually topped 48 pairs who were in the room. What is interesting is that I told Julie she had the option of taking or not taking Charles with her when they had a skip. She thought about it for a minute or two, looked at Charles and told him he was The One. They went on to have one of their best games and continued their very solid partnership. By the way: Charles needs a toaster for the Monday morning bagels. If there are any volunteers to donate one, you'll make Charles a very happy camper!

Mary Lou Kammerer and Sandy Musbach also had an overall win during our best attended game of the month (61 pairs). They always do well together and are a very solid pair. Some of our two time winners included Jackie Washington & Abe Gleiberman, Paul Foster & Suzan Shaanan. Mary Lou also had a second win during the month with one of her regular partners, the delightful Irene Howard who you can't help but love!

We had a great start to the year in which we wish everyone success at the bridge table, but more importantly in all things you choose to do. Stay well, stay healthy and we'll see you at the table.

Encinitas: Ida Burcham

We had a Junior Fund Game every Thursday this month. The fees are enough to choke a horse, but my club is here to make the game more competitive and rewarding. There were two sections in both the open and the NLM events every Thursday. We ended the month with a 71.61% game in the NLM section by Barbara Scherman and Peggy Puck. Hanan Deeby and Bernard Figueiredo won 1st overall in the open in one of our Junior Fund games, and they were edged out of 1st in another by only 0.03%. Richard Cohen and Marcia Trombold squeaked past them, because the game is scored across the field in both the flights. Every board and every trick counts when you are competing with 39 other pairs for 1st overall.

Fallbrook: Fran White

This month I highlight the Riverside Regional. Many players from Fallbrook's Thursday bridge club attended and made Fallbrook proud. Most impressive was Rick Gold, finishing 10th on the leader board with 62 gold points. Rick Kerbel won 25 gold, including an amazing Swiss Teams win over Mitch Dunitz and John Mohan.

Wicker Gamble played only two days ... and won his event for 18 gold. Lance Eddy, Caron Villalon, Milt Fader, and Cari Reuter finished 2nd in Bracketed Swiss. Lance and Caron's total was 16 gold; Milt and Cari won 12 gold each.

And Renee Richele played in her first ever regional event with Elizabeth Youngman and finished in the overalls of the Gold Rush earning 1.81, her first gold! Way to go, Fallbrook!

Oceanside West: Ida Burcham

The Monday games got hit hard by holidays during January, but Tuesday made up for attendance happily. I looked at the three Monday games, and they were all won by men. Bummer. I guess men are better bridge players for some reason. Bruce Leyden and Joe Houde show up in 1st overall positions on Monday and Tuesday. Joe Houde and Lyn Martin had the best percentage game of all the Junior Fund Games that were held at Oceanside West: 68.40%.

One of the Tuesday games had 18 tables. I thought I was going to have to learn how to run a web movement because I only had one set of boards. It has been many years since I have had two sections at Oceanside West. I was getting worried because a web, or external pairs, is not an easy movement.

Thanks to everyone who has been reading this space for the past four years; I am now passing the torch to the capable Rick Gold, who will be keeping you apprised of the Unit 531 happenings in issues to come. It's been my great pleasure to serve you. - christine

San Diego North County Inland

By Liz Nixon

Alert! Non-Life Master Sectional coming to Unit 549 and Unit 531 at Lake San Marcos. Mark the date: April 8! Location: Lake San Marcos Pavilion, 1105 La Bonita Dr., Lake San Marcos 92078. Stratified Pairs start time: 10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m. Stratifications based on A: 300-499; B: 100-299; C: 0-99. Lunches will be available for purchase. Entry Fee: \$10.00 per session. Partnerships: Sue Compton: 760 740-0369 or email: comptons@cox.net

Our next unit games will be February 18, March 25, and April 22. Winners in each section receive a free play at the next unit game. Unit games are held on the fourth Saturday of each month at the Lake San Marcos Pavilion, 1105 La Bonita Drive, Lake San Marcos. Call Liz Nixon for directions - 760 214-8999. The games are \$9.00 including lunch and begin at 12:30 p.m. Doors open at 11:30 p.m. Go to Unit 549's website acblunit549.org for partnerships, to sign-up for the unit games and see results.

Welcome to our Unit 549: Marlene Hall, Eileen Loughran, Doris Nizzi, Ruth Swisher, Mary Ann Houston and Grace McKenney.

Members achieving new levels of achievement: new Junior Master - Erma Lea Frisbie; new Sectional Masters - Joe Hopkins and Ronique Nilson; new Ruby Life Master - Bill Sperry.

Congratulations to all of the above achieving new levels of excellence!

Bridge Club of North County:

Alert! BC of NC is starting Easybridge! 1 on February 4. Learn to Play Bridge Fast! This course is geared to beginners and those that want to get back in the game. The course is 15 sessions starting at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday mornings with a 20 minute lesson followed by supervised play. Cost is \$129 for the 15 weeks, and includes the workbook.

Mega Point games abound in March! Almost every game will be a charity game supporting ACBL International Fund, Grass Roots Fund, or Junior Fund.

Celebrate St. Paddy's Day, March 17, with a club championship game. On March 27 there will be an ACBLWide Senior Pairs open game at 12:30 p.m. - must be 57+ to play.

Saturday Barometer games with pizza will be club championship on March 4. Also, on March 11, a pizza day as well. On March 18 there will be a potluck. Talk to Jill Roberts about what to bring.

Check the calendar at the club or on bridgeclubofnorthcounty.org

Top five open players for January: Bunny Schmidt, Thomas Nolan, Jr., Sue Compton, Marilyn Florin and Timothy Flaherty.

Top Five 0-499 players for January: Dan Higgins, Alberdina Bahmanian, Ken Patrick, Leo Muller and Susan Van Cott. Congratulations to all!

Check the Calendar for exact dates of the charity games, club championships, and Mega Point games. Go to bridgeclubofnorthcounty.org to find everything you need to know about bridge at the club. The address is 2320 S. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido 92025. Phone 760 807-9396.

Feel free to contact the club regarding club programs and special games. New email: bridgeclubofNC@gmail.com

Lake San Marcos Duplicate Bridge Club

The club supported the Lake San Marcos Kiwanis Pancake breakfast by purchasing tickets and then donating them to a needy family through the Boys & Girls Club of San Marcos.

March will be special charity fund games all month! The game is growing like crazy; Please call Jean Holt at 760 734-4518 ahead of time to reserve your spot at the table.

Top five open players for January were Rick Norton, John Sharron, Rima Sharron, Tim Flaherty and Lane Campbell.

Top five 0-499ers: Paul Vaidya, Sandy Hrstich, Valerie Gwin, Ron Anson and Jan Dunlap. Way to go top five!

Go to lakesanmarcosduplicatebridgeclub.com. You can see the results and get a complete hand analysis and suggestion how each hand should have been played or defended. Contact Jean Holt for more

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Seventy Percent Club

- 77.50% Tony Miller-Greg Vernon, TGIF B.C., Dec. 30
- 76.09% Art Herbon-Bill Tenney, Santa Maria B.C., Jan. 20
- 75.50% Dave Flatman-Mary Flatman, Unit STAC, Jan. 29
- 75.00% Craig Stump-Donna McLeod, TGIF B.C., Jan. 20
- 75.00% John Ekkert-Betty Ellery, Coronado D.B.C., Jan. 3
- 75.00% Bill Hamann-James Tanner, Riverside, Jan. 15
- 75.00% Cyndi Bahti-George Bahti, Gail's B.C., Jan. 31
- 73.89% Debbie Mark-Slonim, S.D. Refresher Pairs, Jan. 2
- 73.84% Judy Elbogen-Lee Maddocks, SOCBC, Jan. 26
- 73.61% Leonard Jensen-Rand Morgan, SOCBC, Jan. 25
- 73.44% Janet Seroff-Leonard Seroff, Towers D.B.C., Jan. 18
- 73.21% Alberto Feldhaber-Judy Elbogen, SOCBC, Jan. 24
- 73.09% Carol Cooper-Don McKibben, Laguna Woods D.B.C., Jan. 3
- 72.92% Lane Campbell-Timothy Flaherty, San Diego, Jan. 2
- 72.57% Charles Clarke-Ron Westwood, Ventura B.C., Jan. 28
- 72.01% Gloria Howell-Marilyn Anderson, La Costa Glen, Jan. 11
- 71.61% Barbara Scherman-Peggy Puck, Encinitas B.C., Jan. 26
- 71.51% Carol Pangburn-Judy Wittenstein, SOCBC, Jan. 30
- 71.50% Gloria Howell-Jan Gallagher, La Costa Glen, Jan. 13
- 71.43% Dan Taylor-Ron Stenson, Laguna Woods D.B.C., Jan. 18
- 71.30% Charles Clarke-Bob Bradish, Ventura Unit B.C., Jan. 24
- 71.02% Hulbert Li-Thoms Loh, Laguna Woods D.B.C., Jan. 31
- 70.99% Dovid Crum-Sy Zemlyn, Bridge Academy II, Jan. 6
- 70.92% Kelly Chao-Jim Brauer, Laguna Woods D.B.C., Jan. 17
- 70.83% Vilas Bankar-Lee Mizrahi, Bakersfield, Jan. 24
- 70.74% Mark Itabashi-Sandra Stanger, SOCBC, Jan. 9
- 70.63% Wayne Hanson-Eleanor Buckley, Gail's B.C., Jan. 10
- 70.60% Bob Bradish-Charles Clarke, Ventura Unit B.C., Feb. 7
- 70.58% Dan Boylan-William Bartley, Mentor Open, Jan. 30
- 70.51% Maria Marshall-Rick Norton, Lake San Marcos B.C., Jan. 19
- 70.51% Jan Gallagher-Emily Berkov, BCONC, Jan. 23
- 70.38% Alma Lathem-Barbara Brazen, La Costa Glen, Jan. 27
- 70.37% Edward Cowan, Jr.-Bill Ensley, Laguna Woods D.B.C., Jan. 26
- 70.35% Lyn Martin-Jim Martin, North County D.B.C., Jan. 20
- 70.24% Barry Jacobs-Philip Stein, SOCBC, Jan. 11
- 70.24% Grace Lee-Julie Neilson, Laguna Woods D.B.C., Jan. 24
- 70.14% Arline Benzien-Mike Gaddis, Townhouse Ventura B.C., Jan. 29
- 70.14% Claude Le Feuvre-Armand Szulc, Bridge Academy II, Jan. 9
- 70.03% Mac Busby-Tim Flaherty, BCONC, Jan. 9
- 70.00% Esther Sires-Rob White, COM B.C., Jan. 31
- 70.00% Pat Delamontanya-Keith Williams, Visalia, Jan. 12