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Unit 356



July 2008

## This Months Events

July 10—13  
Sectional (Denver)

July 11—13  
Sectional (Rudioso)

July 13  
2 Session Unit  
Game—9:00AM  
(Pima CC)

July 17—27  
NABC (Las Vegas)

Many people have asked for the Desert Kibitzer to be sent to them via e-mail. The Desert Kibitzer can always be found on our website at [SouthernArizonaBridge.com](http://SouthernArizonaBridge.com)

## Monthly Master Point Winners

### Adobe Bridge Club

Master Point Winners Under 1000

(8.14) Michael Smith; (7.82) Sydney Kaye; (6.17) Carol Pilmar; (5.89) Ted Bayer; (5.80) Carolyn Reynolds

Master Point Winners Over 1000

(19.08) Martin Schiff; (14.19) Bob Simrak; (13.41) Larry Dunham; (12.49) George Good; (11.12) Dev De Lucia

### Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club

Top Ten Master Point Winners

Mary Baptist ( 10.09), David Sachs, Sue Sachs, Bob Baptist, Ray Austin, Vince Fragomeni, Franz Schatz, Roy Mastic, Emmanuel Vuvanas, Warren Fuesz (6.18)

### Las Candelas Bridge Club

Master Point Winners Under 300

(10.49) Joseph Rosenbaum; (9.82) Walt Mann; (5.98) Elinor Horner; (4.13) Leal Roberts; (4.06) Jerry Dougherty

Master Point Winners 300—1000

(8.79) Marian Wilson; (7.96) Karen Swanberg; (7.31) Ann Grub; (7.19) Sunand Bal; (7.15) Ray Grady

### Mountain View Bridge Club

Top Master Point Winners

A. (3.04) Bob Brussel; (3.00) Jo Ann Aiken; (2.25) Ed Anderson; (2.25) Bob Stotts  
B. (1.75) Betty Edwards; (1.75) Midge Miller; (1.36) Steve Dorse; (1.22) Robert Murray

### Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club

Top Master Point Winners

(3.88) Ted Fones; (3.00) Fran Herrmann & Franz Schatz; (2.87) Bill Beach Russ Stowers (2.38)

### Thunder Mountain Bridge Club

Top Ten Master Point Winners

Don Hard (9.84) Paul Soper, George Willis, Katy Vaughn, Peggy Wilder, Diana Smith, Mary Blanchard, Margarete Gallaer, Marc Hay and Judy Shelnut (4.42)

### Special Congratulations

Top Percentage Games for the Month

(72.25) Martin Schiff and Mike Levy; (71.08) Frank Larriva and Reba Hughes;  
(70.98) Frank Giuffreda and Marie Heald; (70.57) Sue and David Sachs

## Recent Rank Advances

Junior Master: Sheila Cizmar, Roberta Goldstein, Conlee Jolly, Adair Karlin, Janet Kelm, Fran Mayer and Ladonna Palm

Club Master: Marsha Bright, Bob Griffin, Elin Parks and Susan Smith

Sectional Master: Robert Baker, Dalene Goetz and Jerry Paugh

Regional Master: Dominick D'Anna and Joseph Rosenbaum

NABC Master: Bengt Bjernfalk

Life Master: Peg Christensen, Lillian Mahvi, William Melzer and Ronald Smith

Bronze Life Master: Carol Ahlstrom and Sunand Bal

## Two Session Unit Game

There seems to be some confusion about the start of the Unit game on July 13th.

The game will start at 9:00AM.

The buffet breakfast will begin at 8:15AM, before the start of the game. See you there.

Welcome  
New  
Members

Beth Schultz

## Adobe Bridge Club

By Barbarbra Rosenthal

**Best Games:** (72.25) Martin Schiff/Mike Levy; (71.08) Frank Larriva/Reba Hughes; (70.98) Frank Giuffreda/Marie Heald; (69.77) Bob Johnston/Lois Jameson; (68.75) Bob Simrak/Nic Minenko; (68.57) Dale Hill/John Schocke; (67.63) Ajit Bhattacharyya/Mel Lubart; (67.59) Jeffrey Lesser/Mike Levy; (66.90) Carol Pilmar/Lois Jameson; (66.83) Percy Brown/Helene Miron; (66.70) Carl Kallina/Carol Pilmar; (66.49) Larry De Lucia/Connie Whitehead; (66.09) Ted Bayer/Percy Brown; (66.03) Darwin Afdahl/Joe Rosenbaum; (65.96) Nicolai Minenko/Marty Schiff; (65.87) Randall Mandigo/Marty Schiff; (65.83) Suzanne Kinnear/Nancy Stewart; (65.71) Fran Hammond/Mary Maxwell.

**Club Championships:** May 1: N/S Lionel Larriva/Reba Hughes and E/W Steve Reynolds/David Rineheart. May 22: N/S Oz Vulkoff/Nancy Stewart and E/W Frank Giuffreda/Marie Heald. May 30: N/S Phyllis and Lou Herbster and E/W Steve Stevenson/Martin Schiff

**Announcements:** The Adobe will hold 2 NAP Qualifier Games, Thursday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be a BIG Party on July 4<sup>th</sup>. The food will be provided by the "Adobe All-Stars" – the cost is \$5.00. There will be a Charity Game on Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> for extra points and the cost will be \$5.00. The proceeds will go to a worthy charity.

## Mountain View Bridge Club

By Ron Morris

**Announcements: SaddleBrooke Summer Sizzler** Save Money. Save Time. Save Gas. Join us! The MountainView Duplicate Bridge Club conducts duplicate bridge games on Tuesday and Friday of each week in the DesertView Center at 1:00 PM. The games are open to all. If you would like to play, but do not have a partner, phone Barbara Feeley at 825-6837, or JoAnn Aiken at 818-1727, and we will try to locate a playing partner for you. We will have a Summer Special during July and August. All duplicate bridge games will be only \$3 per session. For Tuesday games, call 825-6837 by 5 p.m. Monday and a partner will be arranged for you. For the Friday game, come with or without a partner; the director is standing by. There will be no game on Friday, July 4 due to the national holiday. There will be no game on Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup> due to the national holiday.

*"The average  
defender operates in a  
fog of uncertainty"*

*Hugh Kelsey*



## Thunder Mountain Bridge Club

By Chris Hasney

Paul Soper was Life Master of the Month and Mary Blanchard was Non-Life Master of the Month. Four pairs had percentage games 65% or better in May. They were Paul Soper and Don Hard (68%), Shirley Cole and Dick Turke (66.7%), John Thompson and Keith Stearns (65.63%), and Sully Frumentti and Don Hard (65.2%).

## Las Candelas Bridge Club

By Mary Dixon

**Master Point Winners Over 1000:** (14.17) Dave Douglass, (11.68) Diana Humphreys, (10.75) Nona Dale, (10.25) Eric Swanson, (10.02) Doug Fritz and Jo Fritz.

**65% Games:** (69.50) Sunand Bal-Eric Swanson, (68.63) Marie Heald-Marian Rogge, (68.15) Jean Montague-Dave Douglass, (66.90) Joe Rosenbaum-Darwin Afdahl, (66.90) Joe Morella-Jim Lossel, (66.20) Don Cherry-Walt Mann, (65.92) Jo Fritz-Doug Fritz, (65.71) Marti Mecom-Marian Wilson, (65.63) Eric Swanson-Sunand Bal, (65.22) Jo Ann Aiken-Barb Feeley, (65.06) Marty Chakmakian-Dave Chakmakian.

**Club Championships:** Wednesday, May 21 Open: (1) Doug Fritz-Jo Fritz, (2) Rica Spivack-Harvey Spivack, (3) Jo Ann Aiken-Barb Feeley, (4) Eric Swanson-Duncan MacDonnell; Wednesday, May 21 Evening: (1) Eric Swanson-Sunand Bal, (2) Jodi Walker-Doris Whaley, (3) Evonne Ravitz-Alan Ravitz.

**Announcements:** Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup> - Birthday Friday and Independence Party! The club will provide pizza, salad, soft drinks and dessert! Sign up now! Club Championships: Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup> and Friday Morning, July 25<sup>th</sup>.

## Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club

By Doris Kuzmak

**65% Games:** (68.60) Margret Salazar & Lorraine Vonk and (66.00) Ted Fones & Russ Stowers;

**Club Championships:** Results of Worldwide Bridge Contest on June 7—Lois Beyer & Coni Jewett - 264 Overall out of 5272 pairs and 116 Overall of 2763 pairs in the USA. Mary & Bob Baptist - 292 Overall of 5272 pairs and 131 Overall of 2763 pairs in the USA.

**Announcements:** June 28<sup>th</sup> - Club Championship Game (Hand Records) and July 5<sup>th</sup> - NAP Qualifying Game

## Green Valley Bridge Club

By Catherine Clark

**65% Games:** Sue and David Sachs (70.57); Ray Austin - Vince Fragomeni (66.9); Mary and Bob Baptist; Fran Herrmann - Franz Schatz; Al Bowman - Ron Payne; Franz Schatz - Val Armentrout. 49ers, 65%: Carol Alberta - Mary Ann Woodrow

**Club Championships:** STaC: Monday: Section A: N/S: 1. Sue and David Sachs; 2. Joan Schild - Bob Wharton; 3. George Schild - Scott Soule; E/W: 1. Ted Walden - Russ Stoward; 2. Pat Keyser - Shelton Howland; 3. Greg Roth - Dick Grannis; Section D: N/S: Ted Fones - Vince Fragomeni; 2. Ralph Egger - Ted Kurrus; 3. Alyce Shoenhard - Maggie Wharton; E/W: 1. Darlene - Rollie Armacost; 2. Lorraine Bothwell - Roy Mastic; 3. Rosemary Brophy - Fran Herrmann. Thursday: N/S: 1. Frank Giuffreda - Emmanuel Vuvunas; 2. Pat Keyser - George Schild; 3. Ted Fones - Franz Schatz; E/W: 1. Mary and Bob Baptist; 2. Sue Walsh - Jo Morrison; 3. Ray Austin - Ramona Bruce. Friday: Section C, N/S: 1. Ted Fones - Franz Schatz; 2. Barbara and Bill Whitman; 3. Lorraine Vonk - Dick Mullins; E/W: 1. Mary and Bob Baptist; 2. Darlene Armacost - Gail Meyer; 3. Warren Fuesz - Ted Kurrus; Section D: 1. Margret Salazar - Emmanuel Vuvunas (65.57); 2. Russ Stowers - Ted Walden; 3. Joanne Franson - Lorraine Bothwell; E/W: 1. Sue and Dave Sachs; 2. Greg Roth - Dick Grannis; 3. Jo Morrison - Ted Blomquist. Local Charity---St. Andrew's Children's Clinic: 1. Sue and David Sachs; 2. Ray Austin - Vince Fragomeni; 3. Mary and Bob Baptist

## "Rule of Two and Three"

The Rule of Two and Three is sort of a guideline used in determining whether to make a preemptive bid, whether to overcall or overbid, whether to make that sacrifice, or simply pass. Using the numbers, a bridge player should be aware of the fact that he cannot afford to be set more than 500 points. This number is rather the magic boundary. If the opponents have game and they are not vulnerable, then the result equals minus 400-420 points for you. If the opponents are vulnerable, then the amount equals minus 600-620 points for you. If you are not vulnerable, doubled, down two, then the result is minus 300 points for you. If you are vulnerable, doubled, down two, then the result is minus 500 points. But, if you are not vulnerable, doubled, down three, then the result is minus 500 points for you. If you are vulnerable, doubled, down three, then the result is minus 800 points. Conclusion: taking the risk of being down two tricks, doubled, vulnerable, or taking the risk of being down three tricks, doubled, not vulnerable, is not all that bad. The guideline passes along the information that at a contract of 4♥'s, the declarer should have 8 tricks if he is vulnerable, if this is clearly a preempt or sacrifice, and 7 tricks if he is not vulnerable. The position at the table should also be taken into consideration. With the Rule of Two and Three, there is very little mathematical calculation besides adding up quickly the different results very likely achieved according to vulnerability. As a bridge player, you are looking to achieve the best score, but there should be reasoning and logic and information behind your Preempt, Sacrifice, or Overcall. Please remember that the Rule of Two and Three apply only to the almost certain assumption that the opponents can bid game, not slam.

Happy Birthday to our  
July Friends

Astrological Signs— Cancer  
and Leo

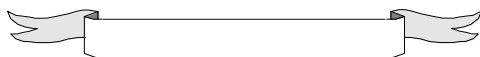
Birthstone—Ruby

"You are only young once,  
but can be immature for a  
lifetime"

John B. Grier



Marvin Hyman



## Unit Game Results June 15 —(17 1/2Tables)

### Flight A—Overall

1. Jean Montague - Patricia Barnes
2. Donna DePesa - Gene DePesa
3. Lorraine Vonk - Franz Schatz

### Flight B—Overall

1. Gene Hendricks - Marilyn Hendricks
- 2/3. Barry Abrahams - Julie Abrahams
- 2/3. Robert Hinkle - Bev Nebbia

### Flight C—Overall

1. Barry Abrahams - Julie Abrahams
2. Catherine Esquivel - Shirley Soucek



On July 13th, at the Two  
Session Game, Ken  
Badertscher will be giving a  
lecture on Counting.

*Speeding up play.*

*"Avoid discussing the deal  
until after you have played all  
the boards in the round.*

*Extended discussion of  
interesting contracts is an  
attraction, but also a  
distraction because of extra  
time taken."*

Thank you to the people who put  
their names in to be on the Unit  
Board. The vote was taken and  
Christie McDougall was elected.

#### DISTRICT 17 & UNIT 356 WEBSITES

<http://district17news.com> - Schedules for District 17 Regionals, Sectionals & Events

<http://www.SouthernArizonaBridge.com> - Official Unit 356 website

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## WEEKLY CLUB SCHEDULES

Club	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Adobe Bridge Club (Barbara Rosenthal, Club Manager) 3727 E Blacklidge— <u>795-2441</u> <a href="http://www.adobebridgeclub.org/">http://www.adobebridgeclub.org/</a>	1:00p	12:30p	12:30p Open and 0-999	12:30p Open and Novice	12:30p Open and NLM	12:30p	9:00a NLM 1:00p Open
Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club Games Open to Members and Guests Only (Catherine Clark, Manager)— <u>648-1781</u> <a href="http://members.cox.net/gvbridge">members.cox.net/gvbridge</a>		1:00p Inv West			6:30p Inv Canoa	1:00p Inv West	
High Desert Hands 1270 Treasure Road, Sunsites (Carol Lee Erbeck—Club Manager)— <u>559-7894</u> <a href="mailto:carol@crazyedoptical.com">carol@crazyedoptical.com</a>						12:00p	
Las Candelas Bridge Club (Sonny Bal, Manager)— <u>696-9101</u> 401 E. Limberlost <a href="http://www.lascandelasbridgeclub.com">www.lascandelasbridgeclub.com</a>		12:30p	12:30p Open	12:30p 299'r & Open 6:30p	12:30p Open	10:00a Open	
Mountain View Duplicate Bridge Club (Jo Ann Aiken, Club Manager)— <u>818-1727</u> 38759 Mountain View Blvd, Saddlebrooke <a href="http://Mountainviewbridgeclub.com">Mountainviewbridgeclub.com</a>			1:00p			1:00p	
Queen of Hearts Bridge Club (James Richhart, Manager)— <u>744-4212</u> On Dove Mountain Rd, 2.3 MI North off Tangerine Rd	<i>Contact Jim Richhart for game dates &amp; times</i>						
Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club (Doris Kuzmak, Director/Manager)— <u>625-4027</u> or <u>237-1959</u> —600 S La Canada, Green Valley, Parish Hall at St. Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church — <a href="mailto:dldkay@cox.net">dldkay@cox.net</a>							12:30p Open
Thunder Mountain Bridge Club 608 E Fry Boulevard, Sierra Vista— <u>803-9564</u> or <u>432-3883</u>		12:30p		12:30p	6:30p	12:30p	

## SPECIAL EVENTS SCHEDULE—July 2008 (National Ice Cream Month)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		July 1	July 2	July 3	July 4	July 5
		Canada Day		NAP Qualifier AD	Birthdays LC Party LC & AD No Game MV Independence Day	NAP Qualifier S
July 6	July 7	July 8	July 9	July 10	July 11	July 12
Fried Chicken Day	CC LC			Sectional (Denver)	Sectional (Denver) Sectional (Rudioso) Cheer up Lonely Day	Sectional (Denver) Sectional (Rudioso)
July 13	July 14	July 15	July 16	July 17	July 18	July 19
2 Session Unit Game <u>9:00AM</u> (Pima CC) Sectional (Denver) Sectional (Rudioso)	Bastille Day	NAP Qualifier AD World Youth Day		NABC (Las Vegas)	NABC (Las Vegas) National Caviar Day	NABC (Las Vegas)
July 20	July 21	July 22	July 23	July 24	July 25	July 26
NABC (Las Vegas) Moon Day	NABC (Las Vegas) Junk Food Day	NABC (Las Vegas) Hammock Day	NABC (Las Vegas)	NABC (Las Vegas)	CC LC NABC (Las Vegas)	NABC (Las Vegas) All or Nothing Day
July 27	July 28	July 29	July 30	July 31		
NABC (Las Vegas)		Charity Game AD				
			Cheesecake Day			

*Abbreviations:* AD – Adobe, MV – Mountain View, TM – Thunder Mountain, LC – Las Candelas, OH – Queen of Hearts - S – Saguaro  
CC – Club Championship, CAC – Club Appreciation Championship, NLM – Non Life Master, IN – Intermediate /Novice