

Unit 356



December Events

December 6

2 Session Unit game and Holiday Party**

(Pima Community College—West Campus)

December 7-13

STaC Games

(Local Clubs)

** Double Session

Welcome New Members

Judith Bois
Joanne Hammon
Mary Howell
Martin Kahao III
Robert Lewis

New Strats

The new Strats for all Unit Games, Unit Wide Games or any other games related to the unit will be:

Strat A = 1501+
Strat B = 501-1500
Strat C = 0-500

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Holidays



The Desert Kibitzer



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December 2009

Monthly Master Point Winners

Adobe

Under 1000

Sydney Kaye 8.81
Diana McGinn 7.26
Carol Pilmar 6.81
Chris Karabinas 6.12
Judith A. Chaffee 6.08

Over 1000

George Good 23.90
Wagner Van Vlack 15.66
Steve Reynolds 12.82
Greg West 12.38
Larry Dunham 11.69

Green Valley

Russ Stowers 17.92
Linda Miller 15.96
Jeff Blake 14.34
Bill Hackbarth 13.82
Franz Schatz 13.35
Ted Walden 13.24
Darlene Armacost 12.56
Rollie Armacost 12.56
Brenda Sonderegger 12.42
John Arnold 12.12

Las Candelas

Under 500

Walter Mann 11.05
Lynda Thomas 6.09
Bettina Thompson 4.78
Jacqueline Gillette 4.36
Lanie Constable 4.03

500-1500

Ray Call 8.89
Marian Wilson 7.28
Ted Bayer 7.07
David Chakmakian 6.54
Marty Chakmakian 6.54

Mountain View

A:
Gene Depesa 6.91
Donna Depesa 6.91
Jeffrey Lesser 5.16
Sheila Lesser 5.16
Ed Anderson 3.97

B:
Ann Kuperberg 4.75
Robert Murray 2.86
Dick Quigg 4.28
Betty Meyer 2.64
Vicki Hanson 2.35

Saguaro

Top Winners

Russ Stowers 7.47
Sue Sachs 6.34
Dave Sachs 6.34
Ted Walden 5.67
Mary Baptist 5.33
Bob Baptist 5.33
Mary Egger 5.15
Ralph Egger 4.83
Val Armentrout 4.31
Lorraine Vonk 4.31

Thunder Mountain

Top Ten
Kaye Dean
Top 10:
Kaye Dean (9.42)
Margarete Gallaer
Marc Hay
John Thompson Jr.
Larry Scott
Diana Smith
Peggy Wilder
George Willis
Joyce Davis
Gale Peck (4.88)

Rank Advancements

Junior Master: Richard Firth and Marjorie Simpson

ClubMaster: Norma Griffin and Marlene Stearns

Sectional Master: Chrissy Inglett, Jeannine Leary and Robert Murray

Bronze Life Master: Morgan Hunter

Silver Life Master: Carolyn Reynolds

Top Games

Diana McGinn—Jerry Paugh 73.61, Frank Larriva—Walter Mann 73.43,
Nancy Fuesz—Scott Soule 72.44, Mary Letts—Rodney Letts 71.30,
Wagner Van Vlack—Shakti Routh 70.41, Ted Bayer—Valerie Ackerman 70.35
Jo Anne Aiken—Fran Hammond 70.29 and
Charlotte Weller—Judy Bois 70.00

Congratulations all

Adobe By Wagner Van Vlack

High Games:

Wagner Van Vlack - Shakti Routh 70.41
 Charlotte Weller - Judy Bois 70.00
 Larry De Lucia - Constance Whitehead 69.42
 Dave Rinehart - Nicolai Minenko 69.01
 Jefferey Lesser - Michael Levy 68.27
 David Jaskar - Susan Connor 68.25
 George Good - Larry Dunham 67.95
 Carol Pilmar - Lois Jameson 67.63
 Martin Schiff - Michael Levy 67.57
 Frank Giuffredra - Catherine Collinson 67.22

Special Events:

The club will be closed on **December 5th** due to gem and mineral show function show. There will be an early start on **December 16th**. The Open game will begin at 11:00am. We will be having STaC games on **December 7th thru December 12th**.

Las Candelas By Sunny Bal

Master Point Winners:

Over 1500:

Dave Douglass 12.29,
 Eric Swanson 9.34
 Nona Dale 8.61
 Franz Schatz 5.14
 Fran Herrmann 4.86

65% Games:

Frank Larriva + Walter Mann 73.43
 Mary Letts + Rodney Letts 71.30
 Ted Bayer + Valerie Ackerman 70.35
 Jo Anne Aiken + Fran Hammond 70.29
 Karen Call + Ray Call 67.63
 Ray Call + Fran Hill 66.39
 Nona Dale + Om Piplani 65.87
 Frank Rhea + Sharlene Rhea 65.52
 Gary Sorlien + Joanne Sorlien 65.50
 Diana Humphreys + Mary Dixon 65.28

Announcements:

Club Championships **December 2nd** for both sessions.

Green Valley By Allen Bowman

High Scores:

72.44 Nancy Fuesz & Scott Soule
 69.07 Al Bowman & Bob Wharton
 68.85 Marty Allen & Jeff Blake
 67.36 Russ Stowers & Lorraine Vonk
 65.97 Linda Miller & Lorraine Vonk
 65.36 Dave & Sue Sachs
 65.05 Fran Herrmann & Franz Schatz



Thunder Mountain

By Chris Hasney

High Scores:

Jan Drago and Kay Dean (68.2%)
 Kaye Dean and Marc Hay (67.5%)
 Jeanne Rudolph and Gayle Peck (67%)
 Margarete Gallaer and
 John Thompson (66.9%)
 Jerry Pottier and Marc Hay (66.7%)

Masters of the Month

Life Master of the month was Margarete Gallaer. Non-Life Master was Kaye Dean.

Saguaro By Doris Kuzmak

Announcements:

Upcoming Special Events:
December 5th -
 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
December 12th-
 STaC GAME AND HOLIDAY PARTY.



Mountain View By Ron Morris

We had eight sessions in October. Pairs with better than 60% games include: Vicki Hanson & Marian Rogge; Jeffrey & Sheila Lesser (three times); Richard Quigg & Susan Hagerty; Donna & Gene DePesa; Sara Doonan & Leo Pigaty; Marian Rogge & Ron Morris; Darwin & Kay Afdahl (two times); Dean Frost & Vicki Hanson; Ed Anderson & Bob Stotts (two times); John Wolfe & Amiel Goodman; Betty Meyer & Robert Murray.

The annual Holiday Party will be on Tuesday, **December 1st**, after bridge in the Road Runner Grill.



I/N Corner By Janet Andrews

As you probably know, the number of I/N (NLM) bridge players in the Tucson area has grown by leaps and bounds over the last year and a half. And so has the job of supporting the group at the ACBL Unit Level (all the clubs in Southwestern Arizona). In light of this, we have expanded the I/N Representation from one person to a committee of 6 or more. The Committee members are: Laura Woods, Official I/N Representative, Janet Andrews, I/N Newsletter, Judy Chaffee, Special Projects, John Schocke, Tournament Setup/Teardown, Connie Travers, Special Projects, and Marge Curvin, Unit Board Rep and Partnerships. We have our first planning meeting December 7, so let any of us know your ideas and thoughts for the 2010 bridge season.

Annual Holiday Party and Two Session Member Appreciation Game

The Annual Holiday Party and Member Appreciation Game will be held on December 6, 2009 at the West Campus of Pima Community College. **You must pre-register for this event.** We will provide a sign up sheet attached to the Kibitzer. There will be a light breakfast before play and lunch between sessions. The fee is \$10.00 per person. Get your **PAIRS** together for this fun event. Play begins promptly at 9:00am.

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Unit Wide Game

November 6, 2009

Flight A—Overall

1. Emmanuel Vuvunas - Margret Salazar
2. Robert Brussel - Blanche Waldstreicher
3. Benita Nelson - Karen Eble

Flight B—Overall

1. Robert Brussel - Blanche Waldstreicher
2. Judson Jones - Tony Dare
3. Joy Rieckers - Loretta Wood

Flight C—Overall

1. Howard & Lola Thompson
2. Linda Hermanson - Lynn Sawyer
3. Karen Call - Gerry Brenner

Adobe results are not included because the wrong boards were used for the Unit Wide Game.

Unit Game

November 15 (Tables)

Flight A—Overall

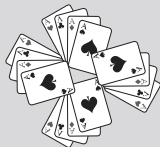
1. Gene & Marilyn Hendricks
2. Melvin Norvelle - Joan Merrill
3. Myra De Byle - W Karasek
4. Carol Pilmar - Trulee Ricketts

Flight B—Overall

1. Gene & Marilyn Hendricks
2. Carol Pilmar - Trulee Ricketts
3. Bill Reeves - Rebecca Ostrom
4. Dileep Bal - Sunand Bal

Flight C—Overall

1. Roberta Kauss - Seymour Einstein
2. Judy Chaffee - Adair Karlin



Lessons By Barbara Feeley

Ethical notifications

If your partner failed to alert, when should you tell the opponents? If your partner explained properly, but you made a mistake in the bid, should you tell the opponents at all? These questions sometimes plague us, as we're so caught up in wondering if partner missed it or we used the convention at the wrong time, and hardly have time to think about the opponents! An easy way to remember is that you are not allowed to communicate with an intelligent partner in a way that would give unauthorized information, but you certainly can share information with the table if you or partner are dummy (you're not helping the dummy.) The bidding has just completed. Are you dummy or declarer? (Case #1) If so, tell the opponents before the opening lead. A face down lead can be retracted at this point without harm. If it's a face up lead, please call director. Are you a defender? (Case #2) Wait until after the hand is played. You are not allowed to assist your intelligent partner on the defense if partner might think you have a different hand than the one you actually have. It is ethical to mention the failure to alert at the end of the hand. Usually it won't make a difference at this point, but if declarer thinks so and calls for director, be a good sport about it. If partner understood your bid but did not alert it, declarer may (rarely) be entitled to an adjustment. Just say, "Sorry I didn't have the hand my partner thought I did," or, "Sorry, I made a bidding error," or something appropriate. There will never be an adjustment for making a mistake, only if you and partner knew something you didn't share at the right time by failing to alert. After the round, or after the session, you and partner can work out when the convention applies or remind each other of the importance of alerting timely.

DISTRICT 17 & UNIT 356 WEBSITES

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

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

UNIT 356 BOARD OF DIRECTORS: PRESIDENT: Prudy Cain ♥ VICE PRESIDENT: Julie Abrahams ♥ TREASURER: Christie McDougall ♥ SECRETARY: Marge Curvin
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WEEKLY CLUB SCHEDULES

Club	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Adobe Bridge Club (Wagner "Van" Van Vlack, Club Manager) 3727 E Blacklidge— 795-2441 http://www.adobebridgeclub.org/	1:00pm open	12:30pm 5pm NLM (Ventana)	12:30pm Open	12:30pm Open	12:30pm Open & NLM	12:30pm open	9:00am Under 20 1:00pm Open
Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club Games Open to Members and Guests Only members.cox.net/gvbridge		1:00pm Inv West			6:30pm Inv Canoa	1:00pm Inv West	
High Desert Hands 1270 Treasure Road, Sunsites (Carol Lee Erbeck—Club Manager)— 559-7894 carol@crazyedoptical.com						12:00pm	
Las Candelas Bridge Club (Sunny Bal, Club Manager)— 696-9101 401 E. Limberlost www.lascandelasbridgeclub.com	Swiss Teams 1:00pm 4th Sun— D,J,F,M,&A	9am Student (Casita) 12:30p Open	9:30a NLM (Casita) 12:30p Open & NLM	12:30pm Open & 299 6:30p	12:30pm Open	10:00am Open	
Mountain View Duplicate Bridge Club (Jo Ann Aiken, Club Manager)— 818-1727 38759 Mountain View Blvd, Saddlebrooke Mountainviewbridgeclub.com			1:00pm			1:00pm	
Queen of Hearts Bridge Club (James Richhart, Manager)— 744-4212 On Dove Mountain Rd, 2.3 Mi North off Tangerine Rd					9:00am Thru April 2010		
Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club (Doris Kuzmak, Director/Manager)— 625-4027 or 237-1959 —600 S La Canada, Green Valley, Parish Hall at St. Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church— dldkay@cox.net							12:30pm Open
Thunder Mountain Bridge Club 608 E Fry Boulevard, Sierra Vista— 803-9564 or 432-3883 — dhard@cox.net		12:30pm		12:30pm	6:30pm	12:30pm	

SPECIAL EVENTS SCHEDULE – December 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		December 1	December 2	December 3	December 4	December 5
		<i>Class A 11:15am</i>	<i>Class A 9:00am</i> <i>Class A 9:00am</i>		<i>Class A 11:15am</i>	<i>CC S</i> <i>Closed A</i>
December 6	December 7	December 8	December 9	December 10	December 11	December 12
<i>Holiday Party and</i> <i>2 Session Unit</i> <i>Game—9am</i> (Pima CC— West Campus)	<i>STaC</i> (Local Clubs)	<i>STaC</i> (Local Clubs) <i>Class A 9:00am</i> <i>Class A 11:15am</i>	<i>STaC</i> (Local Clubs) <i>Class A 9:00am</i> <i>Class A 9:00am</i>	<i>STaC</i> (Local Clubs)	<i>STaC</i> (Local Clubs) <i>Class A 11:15am</i>	<i>STaC</i> (Local Clubs) <i>Holiday Party S</i>
December 13	December 14	December 15	December 16	December 17	December 18	December 19
<i>STaC</i> (Local Clubs)		<i>Class A 9:00am</i> <i>Class A 11:15am</i>	<i>Class A 9:00am</i> <i>Class A 9:00am</i> <i>Early start</i> <i>11:00am A</i>		<i>Class A 11:15am</i>	
December 20	December 21	December 22	December 23	December 24	December 25	December 26
<i>Swiss Teams</i> LC 1pm						
December 27	December 28	December 29	December 30	December 31		
					<i>Happy New Year</i>	

Abbreviations: A— Adobe, LC — Las Candelas, MV — Mountain View, QH — Queen of Hearts, S — Saguaro, TM — Thunder Mountain
 B— Birthdays, BAm—CAC — Club Appreciation Championship, CC — Club Championship, CG—Charity Game, MAG—Member Appreciation
 Game, NLM — Non Life Master, IN — Intermediate /Novice, ST— Swiss Teams, UWC—Unit Wide Championship, WWP—World Wide Pairs