

Unit 356



May Events

May 3

Unit Game

(Adobe) 1:00pm

March 4-10

GW STaC

Local Clubs

May 15-17

Sectional (Phoenix)

May 19-25

Regional (Denver)

Welcome New Members

Bill Bernett

Jill Bernett

Raymond Carey

Marshall Clark

Pete Cleveland

Jane Oakland

Charles Parker

Jessica Segal

Jerry Siebes

Pat Siebes

Donald Stonecipher

Caron Weinstein

As of January 1, 2010, if you have not joined ACBL or do not maintain you dues current, you will need

500 master points to become a **Life Master**

The Desert Kibitzer



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Monthly Master Point Winners

Adobe

Under 1000

(3.50) Alan Green

(3.40) Theodore Bayer

(3.37) Michael Smith

(3.37) Carol Pilmar

(3.20) June Hensala

Over 1000

(11.57) Martin Schiff Jr

(10.02) Michael Levy

(8.16) Sydney Kaye

(7.66) B Robert Simrak

(5.35) Percy Brown

Green Valley

Top Ten

Sue Sachs

Dave Sachs (13.50)

Frank Collins

Julie Collins

Shelton Howland

Joan Opinante

Gene Opinante

Joanne Franson

Kate Shannon

Dana Shannon 8.76)

Las Candelas

Under 500

(12.74) Walter Mann

(9.91) Pat Tierney

(6.71) Jacqueline Gillette

(6.01) Dan Williams

(4.81) Lincoln Brown

500-1250

(17.93) Wagner Van Vlack

(13.49) Jo Ann Miller

(12.69) Marian Wilson

(11.53) Karen Swanberg

(9.54) Muriel Budzien

Mountain View

Top Winners

A:

(4.54) Kay Afdahl

(4.54) Darwin Afdahl

(4.07) Ed Anderson

(4.07) Bob Stotts

B:

(2.98) Susan Hagerty

(2.28) Ann Kuperberg

(2.06) Carol Szympruch

(1.80) Amiel Goodman

Saguaro

Top Winners

(8.51) Fran Herrmann

(8.51) Franz Schatz

(6.83) Bob Hackett (6.70)

(6.70) John Arnold

(5.60) Sandra Lawrence

(5.60) Bill Lawrence

(4.89) Ted Fones

(3.79) Bill Hackbarth

(3.79) Mary Baptist

(3.79) Bob Baptist

Thunder Mountain

Top Ten

George Willis

Paul Soper

Marc Hay

Charlie Comeau

Diana Smith

Joyce Davis

Don Hard

Shirley Cole

John Thompson Jr.

Dick Turke

Rank Advancements

Junior Master: David Burks and Richard Hansen

Club Master: Janet Andrews, Robert Bixby, Gary Sorlien, Joanne Sorlien and Jane Wienke

Sectional Master: Carolyn Alberta and Betty Meyer

Regional Master: Betty Edwards, Dale Hill and Luther Rudolph

NABC Master: Pamela Thaut

Silver Life Master: Eleanor Furtak

Gold Life Master: Marilyn Cregg

Top Games

(73.61) Sue & Dave Sachs; (71.76) Dave Douglass—Shakti Routh;

(71.50) Elaine Goldberg—Peg Nelson;

(71.40) Fran Herrmann— Franz Schatz and

(70.24) Wagner Van Vlack—Percy Brown

Adobe By Ruth Houkum

Adobe Bridge Club Inc. Job Announcement for Club Manager

The Adobe Bridge Club Board of Directors is seeking someone to fulfill the job of club manager. Qualifications for the position include membership in the American Contract Bridge League and general familiarity with the game of contract bridge. The Adobe Board is looking for someone with good social skills who can provide an inviting and attractive environment for everyone who wants to play bridge.

The following list describes the main duties required for the job:

1. Enact the policies of the Adobe board
2. Create and present an annual game calendar for Board approval
3. Schedule & manage the directors
4. Conduct the necessary business with the ACBL
5. Purchase all supplies within budget limits
6. Manage all cash handling including bank deposits
7. Oversee the general management of the Club

facility; provide a clean and attractive club

8. Supervise directors: train on equipment use, handling cash and general services

9. Attend Adobe Board meetings.

Directing games will not be required but may be added. Compensation for directing is separate from Manager's Contract. If you are interested in applying for the position, please send a letter of interest that includes your qualifications to: rhoukum@comcast.net, or

Ruth Houkum,
Club Secretary
Adobe Bridge Club
3727 E. Blackledge
Tucson, AZ 85716

Announcements:

Unit Game **May 3rd** 1pm
STaC **May 4-10** and NLM
STaC **May 7th** and **9th**.
Charity Game & Birthday
Cake day is **May 12th**, Club
Championships **May 21st**
and **23rd**.

High Scores:

(71.50) Elaine Goldberg -
Peg Nelson
(70.24) Wagner Van Vlack -
Percy Brown

Green Valley By Catherine Clark

Top Games:

Warren Fuesz -
Shirley Spink
Jean James - Ramona Bruce
Sue & Dave Sachs
Darlene & Rollie Armacost
Joan & Gene Opinante
Frank Giufredda -
Donna Pasley
Jeannie & Frank Collins
Vince Fragomeni -
Ray Austin
Ted Walden -
Russ Stowers
Ted Blomquist -
Jo Morrison
Hal Feightner -
LaVerne Fragomeni
Mary & Ralph Eggers
Julie & Tom Kennedy

49'er Top Games:

Dorothy Soto -
Cece Knowles
Kate & Richard Meyer (2)

Club Championships:

Flighted Club
Championship:
A:
1. Sue & Dave Sachs
2. Bob Wharton -
Warren Fuesz
B:
1. Shelton Howland -
Joanne Franson
2/3. Jeannie & Frank Collins
2/3. Alex Buchwald -
James Brubaker
C:
1. Karen Linder -
Carol Alberta

2. Barbara & Bill Whitman
49ers: N/S:

1. Mary & John Ziegelbauer
2. Lavonne &
James Benning
E/W:

1. Lee Barnes -
Frank Hagerty
2. Cece Knowles -
Dolores Bender
ACBL Charity:

1. Julie & Tom Kennedy
2. Joan & Gene Opinante

49ers:
1. Dorothy Soto -
Cece Knowles
2. Herb Graffweg -
Patricia Kopal

High Percentage Game
Sue & Dave Sachs (73.61)

Thunder Mountain

By Chris Hasney

High Scores:

George and Paul posted the only
percentage game for March,
65.40%.

Announcements:

Life Master of the Month for
March was George Willis with
10.70 masterpoints. Non-Life
Master once again was Marc Hay.
Quarterly Club Champions are
Lloyd Christianson & Don Hard
(Monday), Kaye Dean & Joyce
Davis (Wednesday), Charlie
Comeau & Marc Hay (Thursday),
and Diana Smith and Dr. Jerry
Pottier (Friday). Mary Blanchard
made Life Master at the Chandler
regional. George Willis and Paul
Soper won a Bracketed KO II
event there as well.

Las Candelas By Mary Dixon

Master Point Winners

Over 1250:
(14.92) Dave Douglass
(14.42) Nona Dale
(12.39) Eric Swanson
(11.68) Jean Montague
(10.30) Richard Friedman
(66.20) Reggie Graves -
Ray Grady
(65.97) Wagner Van Vlack -
John Antliff
(65.74) Nancy Holt -
Earl Terp
(65.05) Mary Clutz -
Sandra Gaskill

65% Games:

(71.76) Dave Douglass -
Shakti Routh
(69.68) Marian Rogge -
Vicki Hanson
(69.36) Richard Friedman -
Jeri Vanatta
(68.43) Darlene Barstad -
Marilyn Hanson
(67.91) Jo & Doug Fritz
Championships:
Tuesday, March 10th
(1) Dan Williams -
Jean Williams
(2) Marian Wilson -
Marge Koenig
(3) Jean Montague -
Genecia Adler
(4) Wagner Van Vlack -
Jim Nichols.

Thursday, March 19th

(1) Richard Friedman -
Jeri Vanatta
(2) Nona Dale - Om Piplani
(3) Larry Hudgens -
Wagner Van Vlack
(4) Doug & Jo Fritz

Announcements:

Friday, May 1st-10:00am
Birthdays

Wednesday, May 13th

Open & 299'er -
International Fund Game

Wednesday, May 27th

Open, 299'er and Evening
Club Championships
Swiss Team games will
resume on the 4th Sunday in
October.

Don't forget our 2 new
games: Mondays, 9:00-
11:30, Student Game
directed by Bob Hinkle in
the Casita. The cost is \$3.00;
Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30, Non-
Life-Master game directed
by Bob Simrak in the Casita.
The cost is \$3:00. (Bob's
lessons will move to
Thursday mornings. The
cost is \$5:00 per person per
lesson.)



Mountain View By Ron Morris

60% Games:

Robert Brussel -
Henry Langeman
Jeffrey & Sheila Lesser
Dean Frost & Vicki Hanson
Darwin & Kay Afdahl
Marie Heald & Roy Aiken
Donna & Gene Depesa
Bob Stotts & Ed Anderson
Dorothy Clark -
Arthur Andrews

Announcements:

We will hold nine sessions in May with a Club Championship on the 19th. We will hold STaC Games for Silver

Masterpoints on **May 5th** and **May 8th**. We conduct 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 825-6837, or JoAnn Aiken 818-1727, and we will try to locate a playing partner for you. Or contact us at—
Mountainviewbridgclub.com

Saguaro By Doris Kuzmak

High Scores:

(71.40) Fran Herrmann
Franz Schatz
(Junior Fund Game)
(69.12) Bob Hackett
Emmanuel Vuvanas
(69.08) Sandra & Bill Lawrence
(68.98) Sue & David Sachs
(67.45) Ted Walden
Ted Fones
(67.36) Mary & Bob Baptist
(66.97) Bill Hackbarth
Ralph Egger
(65.29) Fran Herrmann
Franz Schatz

Announcements:

There will be a STaC game on Saturday, **May 9th**. Don't forget the Worldwide Bridge Contest on Saturday, **June 6th**, followed by wine and cheese after the session. We will be scheduling NAP qualifying games during the months of June, July and August. We hope to have two each month—watch for the dates. These games all pay extra MP's and are half red at 100% sectional rating.

In Memoriam

Donald Davis

Classes

Barbara Rosenthal's classes are now held at Las Candelas. All classes are in the Casita. Starting on Tuesday, April 21 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Beginning Bridge—\$65 for 6 weeks including text. Tuesday, April 21 and thereafter, 1:00 - 3:00 PM, supervised Bid and Play—\$3-no partner or reservation needed. Wednesday, April 22-9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Competitive Bidding - \$65 for 6 weeks including text.

Lessons By Barbara Feeley

Ethics Tip of the Month: The skip bid warning, if used, must be used consistently. Don't think of it as a crutch to make sure partner notices your jump. That was never its intent.

The original idea was to force opponent to pause as if to consider his hand after any jump bid, so that opponent's partner cannot draw inference from a slow pass or a fast pass by opponent who bids next after the jump. It is extremely unethical to use the skip bid warning card for some jumps and not other jumps. That's why many players do not use it at all. If you use it, all jumps, weak or strong or conventional, must be treated the same way. If you use the skip bid warning card but then do not jump, unauthorized information has been given, and adjustments may be made, particularly if this error is habitual.

Are you a card snapper? It's not necessary to noisily snap the cards on the table. Try just laying down the card quietly and see how pleasant it is. Usually snapping is just a bad habit, but it is quite annoying, especially to those of us with hearing aids where sharp sounds are often magnified.

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 (Barbara Rosenthal, Club Manager) 3727 E Blackledge— 795-2441 http://www.adobebridgeclub.org/	1:00pm	12:30pm 5pm NLM (Ventana)	12:30pm Open	12:30pm Open	12:30pm Open and NLM	12:30pm	9:00a NLM 1:00p Open 1:00p 2nd Sat
Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club Games Open to Members and Guests Only (Catherine Clark, Manager)— 648-1781 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	
<u>Las Candelas Bridge Club</u> (Sonny Bal, Manager)— 696-9101 401 E. Limberlost www.lascandelasbridgeclub.com	1:00pm Swiss 4th Sun	9am Student (Casita) 12:30p Open	9:30a NLM (Casita) 12:30p Open	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	<i>Contact Jim Richhart for game dates & times</i>						
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 – May 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					May 1	May 2
					B LC	
May 3	May 4	May 5	May 6	May 7	May 8	May 9
Unit Game 1PM (Adobe)	STaC (Local Clubs)	STaC (Local Clubs)	STaC (Local Clubs)	STaC (Local Clubs)	STaC (Local Clubs)	STaC (Local Clubs)
May 10	May 11	May 12	May 13	May 14	May 15	May 16
STaC (Local Clubs)		CC & B A	IFG (Local Clubs)		Sectional (Phoenix)	Sectional (Phoenix)
May 17	May 18	May 19	May 20	May 21	May 22	May 23
Sectional (Phoenix)		Regional (Denver)	Regional (Denver)	CG A Regional (Denver)	Regional (Denver)	CC A Regional (Denver)
May 24	May 25	May 26	May 27	May 28	May 29	May 30/31
Regional (Denver)	Regional (Denver)		CC LC Open-299'er-& Evening			

Abbreviations: A – Adobe, LC – Las Candelas, MV – Mountain View, QH – Queen of Hearts, S – Saguaro, TM – Thunder Mountain
 B – Birthdays, 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