

Unit 356



October Events

October 2-4
Sectional
(Phoenix)

October 5-11
Regional
(Ruidoso)

October 9
Unit Wide Champ
(Local Clubs)

October 11
Unit Game
Annual Meeting
(Adobe 1:00pm)

October 15-18
Sectional
(Tucson)
(Holiday Inn)

October 23-25
Sectional
(Taos)

Oct. 30-Nov. 1
NLM Sectional
(Tucson)
(Holiday Inn)

Welcome New Members

Robert Gershon
Sally Gershon
Audrey R Miller
Leon Radziemski
Andrew Vishner
Jack W White
George Wilson

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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Monthly Master Point Winners

Adobe

Under 1000

(12.96) Judith A. Chaffee
(12.71) Michael Smith
(10.40) Adair M Karlin
(9.21) Dale Hill
(8.81) Carol Pilmar

Over 1000

(19.54) Wagner Van Vlack
(17.85) George Good
(17.35) Martin Schiff Jr
(16.55) B Robert Simrak
(12.92) Michael Levy

Green Valley

Top Ten

(7.01) John Arnold
(6.22) Bob Baptist
(6.22) Mary Baptist
(5.78) Bill Hackbarth
(5.77) Lorraine Vonk
(4.76) Ernie Perkins

(4.63) Shirley Spink

(4.38) Rosemary Brophy

(3.67) Joyce Lenz

(3.66) Joan Coil

Las Candelas

Under 500

(8.62) Walter Mann
(8.47) Joe Rosenbaum
(6.6) Lanie Constable
(5.49) Bettina Thompson
(5.48) Paul Yantz

500-1250

(24.67) Karen Swanberg
(21.72) Marian Wilson
(17.52) Rodney Letts
(16.48) Ray Call
(15.46) Avice Bosse

Saguaro

Top Winners

(4.50) Bob Reiersen
(4.50) Frank Perry

(3.81) Val Armentrout

(3.38) Bill Hackbarth

(3.38) Sunny Bal

(3.34) Ray Austin

(3.15) Lorainne Vonk

(2.96) Mary Ann Allen

(2.96) Marty Allen

(2.86) Joanne Franson

Thunder Mountain

Top Ten

(8.06) George Willis
Paul Soper
Marc Hay
Shirley Cole
Don Hard
Larry Scott
Joyce Davis
Judy Shelnut
Elaine Kiefer
(4.58) Donna Anderson

Rank Advancements

Junior Master: Jane Oakland

Club Master: Martha Blum and
Sophie Katz

Sectional Master: Billy Conn and
Brian Gersten

Regional Master: Peggy Anderson,
Dorothy Lu, Donna Montgomery and
Nadine Schacht

NABC Master: Marion Cimmino

Life Master: Betsy Krystynak
Shirley Soucek and Pamela Thaut

Bronze Life Master: Trudie Weber-
Penta

Top Games

(74.80), Larry Scott and Marc Hay; (72.62) Ray Austin—Jeff Blake;

(71.04) Doug Austin & Jean Austin;

(70.14) Roberta Kauss - Seymour Einstein and

(70.00) Mary Ahearn - Ed Mulkey

Adobe By Wagner Van Vlack

High Games:

(71.04) Doug Austin -
Jean B Austin
(70.14) Roberta Kauss -
Seymour Einstein
(68.63) Len Hall - Ann
Hinge
(68.15) Percy Brown -
Lawrence De Lucia
(67.92) Seymour Einstein
- Roberta Kauss
(67.82) Robert Bixby -
Jim Cosmas
(67.70) Naomi Smith -
Jurgen Kruse
(67.56) Martin Schiff Jr -
Kenneth Badertscher
(67.37) David Burks -
Sharon O'Connor

(67.13) Ron Sivitz -
Bob Rothenber
(66.40) Percy Brown -
Merle Effing
(66.19) Robert Simrak -
George Good
(65.97) Brian McCarthy -
Randall Mandigo
(65.77) David Rinehart -
Nicolai Minenko
(65.77) Martin Schiff Jr -
Michael Levy
(65.28) Michael Smith -
Percy Brown
(65.05) B Robert Simrak -
Larry Dunham

Special Events:

There will be a Club
Championship on
October 4th and 22nd
(Open and NLM). We will
have a Charity game on
October 13th (together
with birthday cake).
There will be an Upgraded
Club Championship
October 26th !!!
(Important there are very
few of them and they pay a
lot of points).



Candidates

Unit 356 will be voting on your
2010 Board of Directors. Ballots
will be sent to you around
October 21st after the Annual
Meeting. There are 5 slots open
on the board. Here are your
candidates

Julie Abrahams
Dave Douglass
Is Krohn
Joan Merrill
Bob Simrak

Lenore Toomey

Nominations made by members
must be in writing, signed by at
least ten members in good
standing and must be
received by October 1, 2009.

Green Valley By Allen Bowman

High Scores:

(72.78) Bob & Mary Baptist
(72.02) John Arnold - Morris Lamb
(70.14) Dave & Sue Sachs
(66.66) Nancy Myers - Darlene Notti
(66.37) Joyce Lenz - Ernie Perkins
(66.07) Lois Nottingham - Jayne Weldon
(65.77) Bob & Mary Baptist
(65.48) Bob & Mary Baptist
(65.28) Dave & Sue Sachs
(65.05) Gayle Fitzgerald -
Anna Mae Sublett

Thunder Mountain

By Chris Hasney

High Scores:

(74.8), Larry Scott and Marc Hay
(67.70) George Willis and Paul Soper
(65.5) Katy Vaughn and Paul Soper

Masters of the Month

George Willis was Life Master and
Marc Hay non-Life Master of the month.

Saguaro By Doris Kuzmak

High Scores:

(72.62) Ray Austin—Jeff Blake
(65.56) Joanne Franson—
Ted Bloumquist

Announcements:

On **October 3rd** Saguaro will be hosting
a Swiss Team (Club Appreciation
Game). This game will award some
GOLD POINTS. Sign up your team by
SEPTEMBER 26th.
ADVANCE SIGN-UPS ARE
REQUIRED FOR THIS GAME. (No side
game on October 3rd - Swiss Team Only).

ACBL's Amnesty Offer

The offer - available between now and December 31, 2009 - is for lapsed ACBL members who have unrecorded masterpoints. These former ACBL members are invited to reinstate their membership between now and December 31, 2009 and receive all masterpoints won during the time they were on inactive membership status credited to them at no charge. In addition, those who renew for a three-year membership before October 1, 2009, will receive a special bonus offer - a complimentary deck of ACBL tournament-quality playing cards. Spread the word!

October 11th Unit Game

There will be a special section in the October 11th Unit game for Non Life Member players. This includes players with fewer than 500 points.

I/N Corner By Janet Andrews

"Bridge is alive and well in Tucson" as you know if you participated in the Pro-Am Game August 30 at Adobe. We had a record breaking 28 tables and the winning team was John Piet, James Richhart, Chi Newman, and Paul Yantz winning all four matches and receiving 5.38 MPs. Thanks to everyone who participated and especially to those who helped find partners for amateurs who wanted to play!! We have more exciting events coming to you this fall, so look for the next issue of I/N the News that will be published the end of September.

Las Candelas By Sunny Bal

Master Point Winners:

Over 1250:

- (22.57) Dave Douglas
- (19.02) Mary Dixon
- (16.54) Diana Humphreys
- (16.51) Don O'Bryan
- (15.03) Jo Ann Aiken

65% Games:

- (68.28) Paul Yantz -
Bettina Thompson
- (66.35) Joe Rosenbaum -
Darwin Afdahl
- (66.35) Jacqueline Gillette -
Arline Henman
- (66.34) Mary Letts - Rodney Letts
- (66.01) Karen Call - Ray Call
- (65.74) John Laros - Jewel Laros
- (65.38) Lanie Constable -
Walter Mann
- (65.22) Karen Swanberg -
Marie Heald

Announcements:

Classes by Bob Hinkle: Beginning Bridge starting Monday, October 12- November 23. Intermediate Bridge: Starting on Tuesday, October 13- November 24 9.30 am in the casita.

Classes by Barbara Rosenthal call (331- 9994) Beginning Bridge on Tuesdays at 9.30am and Intermediate Level on Wednesdays at 9.30am.

Caroline Brockway Memorial Bridge Game on Monday **October 19th** starts at 11.45am with a Pot-Luck lunch. The chicken will be provided by the club. The game will start at 12.30pm. There will be Manhattans at a local pub following the game.

Club Championship will be on **October 29th**.

New Year, New Venue

2010 will introduce a new venue for some of our tournaments in Tucson. The recent completion of the **new** Desert Diamond Hotel and Conference Center adjacent to the Tucson International Airport has provided us new opportunities. Our first tournament at the Desert Diamond, will be the Winter Sectional, January 7th-10th.

Pro/AM Swiss

August 30th (28 Tables)

- 1st. John Piet-James Richhart-
Chi Newman-Paul Yantz
- 2nd. Steve Lang-Dale Hill-
Patricia Galinet-Laura Woods
- 3rd. Dave Douglass-Ann Kuperberg-
Jo Ann Aiken-Ronald Morris
- 4th. B Robert Simrak-
Bettina Thompson-Jean Montague-
Patty Kruse
- 5th. Wagner Van Vlack-
Judiith Chaffee-
Ann Hinge-Adair Karlin

Unit Game

September 13th (16 1/2 Tables)

Flight A—Overall

- 1. Fran Hammond - Mary Maxwell
- 2. B Robert Simrak - George Good
- 3. J Charles Comeau - Jean Montague
- 4. Christie & Eugene McDougall

Flight B—Overall

- 1. Christie & Eugene McDougall
- 2. Wagner Van Vlack - Sunand Bal
- 3. Lillian Mahvi - Anne West
- 4. Barry & Julie Abrahams

Flight C—Overall

- 1. Doug Austin - Jean B Austin
- 2. David Stewart -
William Schelstrate
- 3. Adair M Karlin - Judith A. Chaffee



Lessons By Barbara Feeley

When your side opens No Trump, and opponents interfere with a bid, is a double for penalty or for take-out? You and your partner can have whatever agreement you wish as long as you make opponents aware of that agreement. Generally though, If the person who bid no trump doubles a natural overcall, it is for take-out, but if the responder doubles, it's for penalty. The reason is that the responder has a pretty clear picture of the no trump opener's hand, but the reverse is not true (responder's hand is a mystery).

Caddies Needed

Marge Curvin is looking for people to become caddies at the various tournaments. This is a paying job. If you are interested or know of someone interested please reach her at: m.curvin@yahoo.com or 319-1081.

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 next month's Kibitzer. There will be a light breakfast before play and lunch between sessions. The fee will be \$10.00 per person. Get your teams together for this fun event. Play begins at 9:00am.

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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♥ MEMBERSHIP: Brenda Sonderegger ♥ I/N REPRESENTATIVE: Janet Andrews ♥ KIBITZER: Julie Abrahams ♥ DISTRICT 17 REP: Gene McDougall

WEEKLY CLUB SCHEDULES

Club	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Adobe Bridge Club (Wagner "Van" Van Vlack, Club Manager) 3727 E Blackledge— 795-2441 http://www.adobebridgeclub.org/	1:00pm open	12:30pm 5pm NLM (Ventana)	12:30pm Open & Under 20	12:30pm Open	12:30pm Open & NLM	12:30pm open	9:00am NLM 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		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	<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 – October 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				October 1	October 2	October 3
					Sectional (Phoenix)	<i>Swiss Team S</i> Sectional (Phoenix)
October 4	October 5	October 6	October 7	October 8	October 9	October 10
<i>CC A</i> Sectional (Phoenix)	Regional (Ruidoso)	Regional (Ruidoso)	<i>Class A</i> 9:00am Regional (Ruidoso)	Regional (Ruidoso)	<i>Unit Wide Champ</i> (Local Clubs) <i>Class A</i> 9:00am Regional (Ruidoso)	Regional (Ruidoso)
October 11	October 12	October 13	October 14	October 15	October 16	October 17
<i>Unit Game</i> (Adobe 1pm) Regional (Ruidoso)	<i>Class LC</i> 9:30am (Casita)	<i>CG A</i> <i>Class A</i> 9:00am <i>Class LC</i> 9:30am (Casita)	<i>Class A</i> 9:00am	<i>Sectional</i> (Holiday Inn)	<i>Sectional</i> (Holiday Inn) <i>Class A</i> 9:00am	<i>Sectional</i> (Holiday Inn)
October 18	October 19	October 20	October 21	October 22	October 23	October 24
<i>Sectional</i> (Holiday Inn)	<i>Pot Luck LC</i> <i>Class LC</i> 9:30am (Casita)	<i>Class A</i> 9:00am <i>Class LC</i> 9:30am <i>Class LC</i> 9:30am (Casita)	<i>Class A</i> 9:00am <i>Class LC</i> 9:30am	<i>CC A</i>	<i>Class A</i> 9:00am Sectional (Taos)	Sectional (Taos)
October 25	October 26	October 27	October 28	October 29	October 30	October 31
Sectional (Taos)	<i>CC A</i> <i>Class LC</i> 9:30am (Casita)	<i>Class LC</i> 9:30am <i>Class LC</i> 9:30am (Casita)	<i>Class LC</i> 9:30am	<i>CC LC</i>	<i>NLM Sectional</i> (Holiday Inn)	<i>NLM Sectional</i> (Holiday Inn)

Abbreviations: A—Adobe, LC—Las Candelas, MV—Mountain View, OH—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