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July 2010

July Events

July 9th-1th
Sectional (Ruidoso)

July 18th
Unit Game (Las Candelas)

July 22nd—Aug 1st
NABC (New Orleans)

July 23rd
International Fund Game
(Local clubs)

“Caddy Call”

The Tucson Bridge Community is hosting the “Great Chiefs Regional” on October 4th – 10th. We NEED folks that can caddy. There will be 3 sessions per day..... the payout is \$30.00 per session and you can mix and match your time.

If you or anyone you know would be interested please contact Marge Curvin at m.curvin@yahoo.com or 319-1081 for additional information.

Welcome New Members

Lori Cahill
Cynthia Donnelly
Richard Kris
Florence Lazar
Donna Moore
C.R. Teeple

May Monthly Masterpoint Winners

Adobe Bridge Club

Master Point Winners Under 1000
(7.20) Carol Pilmar; (6.79) Chris Karabinas; (6.38) Linda Lineberry
(6.29) William Schelstrate; (5.72) John & Myra McKenna
Master Point Winners Over 1000
(19.39) Steve Reynolds; (17.81) Percy Brown; (14.74) Michael Levy
(14.05) Martin Schiff Jr.; (12.78) Steve Pozez

Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club

Top Ten Master Point Winners
(14.96) Ron Payne; (12.02) Joan Schild; (9.22) Fran Herrmann; (8.24) Myra DeByle
(7.96) Carol Skomars; (7.56) Allen Bowman; (6.58) Mary Bonham; (6.49) Bob Baptist
(6.49) Mary Baptist; (4.89) Ted Kurrus

Las Candelas Bridge Club

Master Point Winners Under 500
(8.92) Walter Mann; (6.71) John Purdy; (5.66) John Piet
(5.44) Joseph Rosenbaum, (5.17) Marian Conway
Master Point Winners 501-1500
(8.81) Karen Swanberg; (7.49) Ray Call; (7.17) Jean Ramsey
(6.83) David Chakmakian; (6.83) Marty Chakmakian

Mountain View Bridge Club

Top Master Point Winners
A: (5.18) Ed Anderson; (5.18) Bob Stotts; (3.06) Carl Kallina; (2.67) Bob Brussel
(2.32) Darwin and Kay Afdahl
B: (3.00) Patrick Schifano; (3.00) Martha Winn; (1.33) Ann Kupperberg
(1.30) Roberta Goldstein; (1.30) Jane Pendley

Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club

Top Master Point Winners (includes Junior Fund Game)
(6.33) Ron Payne; (5.18) Fran Herrmann; (4.70) Shelton Howland; (3.90) Arnie Maki
(3.90) Gene Maki; (3.63) Patricia Belden; (3.63) Joy Roberts; (3.62) Sharon Demmons
(3.62) Benita Nelson; (3.49) Lorraine Vonk

Thunder Mountain Bridge Club

George Willis (8.34); Larry Scott; Margaret Gallaer; Marc Hay; Paul Soper; John Thompson
Katy Vaughn, Joyce Davis, Donna Anderson, and Diana Smith (3.18)

Over 70% Games

(75.00) Louis Herbster - Phillis Herbster; (72.62) Martin Schiff Jr. - Michael Levy
(71.53) Ron Payne - Joan Schild; (70.83) Michael Levy - Jeffrey Lesser
(70.46) Caron Weinstein - Sandra Gaskill

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Mountain View *By Ron Morris*

We had eight sessions in May. Pairs with better than 60% games include: Syrile Ellison & Barbara Feeley; Darlene Barstad & Jo Ann Aiken; Donna & Gene DePesa; Jeffrey & Sheila Lesser; Darwin & Kay Afdahl (two times); Vicki Hanson & Marian Rogge; Sara Doonan & Leo Pigaty; Bob Stotts & Ed Anderson (two times); Dean Frost & Vicki Hanson.

Thunder Mountain *By Chris Hasney*

Once again George Willis topped the field to take first place and Life Master of the month honors with 8.34 masterpoints earned. Non-Life Master of the month honors went to Kaye Dean who earned 3.17 points in May. Margaret Glenn was close behind with 2.84, and Keith Stearns was also close, earning 2.15 hard-fought masterpoints.

Only two pairs had percentage games in May, which means that every game was closely contested. Taking the honors were Katy Vaughn and George Willis (68.75%) and George Willis and Larry Scott (65.28%).

Congratulations to all!

Las Candelas *By Sunny Bal*

Master Point Winners Open

(17.19) Dave Douglass; (12.67) Eric Swanson; (7.95) Don O'Bryan;
(6.55) Jean Montague; (6.54) Nona Dale

65% Games:

(68.04) Eric Swanson+Walter Mann; (69.72) Frank Giuffreda+Sharon Demmons;
(68.61) Dave Douglass+Shakti Routh; (66.61) Marion Conway+Ann Grub;
(66.99) Robert Brussel+Darlene Barstad; (66.03) Dave Douglass+Shakti Routh;
(65.53) Dave Douglass+Bengt Bjernfalk

Announcements:

Club Championship on July 8 and 13
NAP Qualifier July 21 @ 12:30
Bid & Play Tuesdays @ 9am

Green Valley *By Allen Bowman*

Top Games:

(71.53) Ron Payne & Joan Schild; (68.75) Bill Hackbarth & Lorraine Vonk
(68.06) Bob & Mary Baptist; (67.36) Bill Hackbarth & Butch Vuvunas
(67.05) Fran Herrmann & Ted Kurrus; (66.87) Val Armentrout & Ted Walden
(66.83) Ron Payne & Joan Schild; (66.67) Lee Barnes & Frank Hagerty
(66.29) Mary Jo Simmon & Mary Jo Simunaci; (65.74) Ron Payne & Vince Fragomeni
(65.35) Mary Ellen Lesko & Holly Rieger; (65.05) Allen Bowman & Fran Herrmann

Saguaro *By Doris Kuzmak*

High Percentage Games for May

(68.95) Arnie & Gene Maki; (68.75) Ron Payne & Fran Herrmann;
(67.36) Benita Nelson & Sharon Demmons

Upcoming Special Events

Check out Special Events on the web page: www.members.cox.net/saguarodbc2

Saguaro will be hosting two NAP Qualifying games in July.

The first in July will be July 10 and the second on July 24.

There will be no increase in table fees for these events.

Adobe *By Gene McDougall*

Summer Weekend Contest starts July 3rd. The top masterpoint winner for Adobe Bridge Club open games on the weekends during July will receive 5 free plays. All games will be \$5 entry fee, but will award extra masterpoints and support local charities. Independence Day celebration and pot luck Friday July 2nd. The Adobe Bridge Club will provide fried chicken for a pot luck luncheon. Please sign-up on the poster on the front door if you are planning on bringing a dish. Please sign up in the reservation book if you are planning to play.

The Adobe Bridge Club has a new set of lessons that starting at the beginning of July. Classes range from beginning bidding up to intermediate bidding and advanced play of the hand. The classes will be 4-weeks for \$25. All classes are dependent on a minimum of 8 student enrollment. For details stop by the Adobe Bridge Club or visit our website www.adobebridgeclub.org.

Hope everyone is having a great summer. See you soon.

Games over 65%: (75.00) Louis Herbster - Phillis Herbster; (72.62) Martin Schiff Jr - Michael Levy; (70.83) Michael Levy - Jeffrey Lesser; (70.46) Caron Weinstein - Sandra Gaskill; (67.36) Louis Herbster - Phillis Herbster; (67.36) Nancy Lord Watts - Jean Ramsey; (66.67) Lawrence De Lucia - Linda Lineberry; (66.45) Connie Putz - Bob Mungovan; (65.93) William Schelstrate - Lionel Larriva; (65.87) David Rinehart - Nicolai Minenko; (65.83) Carolyn Reynolds - Steve Reynolds; (65.38) Barbie J Corbett - Virginia Young

Check out the Unit 356 website for tournaments coming up this fall.

www.SouthernArizonaBridge.com

Regional Tournament - October 4-10 - Holiday Inn Palo Verde

NLM Sectional - November 5-7 - Hotel Tucson (Formerly Inn Suites)

Tucson Fall Sectional - November 11-14 - Desert Diamond Hotel & Casino

I/N Corner by Marge Curvin

Mark Your Calendars !!!!
Sunday August 29th is a Pro Am Swiss Team Event

A Pro is anyone with 300 + points regardless if they are designated Life Masters An Am is anyone with 299 - points. As you can see, everyone can play.

There will be snacks etc. served prior to the game. The game will start at 1PM at Las Candelas Bridge Club.

Attached to this Kibitzer is a sign up sheet.... Please, please if you are going to play sign up ahead of time . This enables the director to get the game going quickly, and helps the folks providing the food to know how much to plan for.

Give the sign up sheet to the director at your regular game or email m.curvin@yahoo.com If you need a partner or team mates contact Marge Curvin @ 319-1081 or the above email address.

See you at the game
Marge Curvin, Unit 356 I/N Rep

Recent Rank Advances

Club Master:

Coni Jewett, Lester Rubenstein
Patricia Rubenstein

Sectional Master:

Edward Landes, Keith Stearns, Mary Ziegelbauer

Regional Master:

Robert Baker, Sheila Caterraccio
Ronald Gagne, Robert Murray, James Withey

NABC Master:

Judith Chaffee, Richard Kelly, Nancy Sweat

Life Master:

Vicki Hanson, Marc Hay, Roberta Kauss, Alan Ravitz
Bettina Thompson

Bronze Life Master:

Vicki Hanson, Marc Hay, Lillian Mahvi, Walter Mann
Leo Pigaty

Silver Life Master:

Shirley Spink

Gold Life Master:

Dave Douglass, Gordon Grossetta

Diamond Life Master:

Melvin Norvelle

Emerald Life Master:

Mary Baptist

Grand Life Master:

Michael Levy

Unit Event Results

Unit Wide Championship— May 21st

Open Sections (57 tables)

A—Overall

1. Ron Payne - Joan Schild
2. Michael Levy - Jeffrey Lesser
3. Allen Bowman - Fran Herrmann
4. Joseph Rosenbaum - Darwin Afdahl
5. Reginald Graves - Raymond Grady
6. Mary Baptist - Robert Baptist
7. Alan Ravitz - Evonne Ravitz

B—Overall

1. Reginald Graves - Raymond Grady
2. Alan Ravitz - Evonne Ravitz
3. Jo Morrison - Ted Blomquist
4. Vito Konur - John Purdy
5. John Piet - Chi Newman
6. Bob Stotts - Ed Anderson

C—Overall

1. Alan Ravitz - Evonne Ravitz
2. Vito Konur - John Purdy
3. Faith Alster - Bev Nebbia
4. Midge Miller - Betty Edwards
5. Joan Coil - Paul Bliklen
6. Jacqueline Gillette - Shirley Senofsky

199er Section (8.5 tables)

1. Mary Jo Simunaci - Mary Jo Simmon
2. Mary Ellen Lesko - Holly Rieger
3. Edith Hawkins - Dot Elliott
4. Andrew Vishner - Kathleen Vishner
5. Dee Tschetter - Tom Tschetter
6. Dorothy Colip - Anne Alberts

Unit Game June 6, 2010 (16 Tables)

A—Overall

1. O Piplani - Edward Helpert
2. Greg West - George Good
3. Carolyn Reynolds - Steve Reynolds
4. Darwin Afdahl - Kay Afdahl
- 5/6. Margaret Curvin - Eileen Sherlock
- 5/6. Elisabeth Leggett - Betty Compton

B—Overall

- 1/2. Margaret Curvin - Eileen Sherlock
- 1/2. Elisabeth Leggett - Betty Compton
3. Margaret Koenig - Donald Lieberman
4. Diane Lowell - Jim Kennedy
5. David Chakmakian - Marty Chakmakian

C—Overall

1. Margaret Curvin - Eileen Sherlock
2. David Stewart - William Schelstrate

Congratulations!!!!

WEEKLY CLUB SCHEDULES

| Club | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--|---|---|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Adobe Bridge Club (Gene McDougall, Club Manager) adoblebridge@qwestoffice.net 3727 E Blackledge - 795-2441 www.adobebridgeclub.org | 1:00pm Open | 12:30pm Open 5pm NLM (Ventana) | 12:30pm Open & NLM | 12:30pm Open | 12:30pm Open & NLM | 12:30pm Open & Under 50 | 9:00am NLM 1:00pm Open |
| Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club Games Open to Members and Guests Only (Al Bowman—Club Manager) albowmangv@cox.net members.cox.net/gvbridge | | 1:00pm Inv West | | | 6:30pm Inv Canoa | 1:00pm Inv West | |
| High Desert Hands (Carol Lee Erbeck, Club Manager) carol@crazyedoptical.com 1270 Treasure Road, Sunsites - 559-7894 | | | | | | 12:00pm | |
| Las Candelas Bridge Club (Sunny Bal, Club Manager) contact@lascandelasbridgeclub.com 401 E. Limberlost - 696-9101 www.lascandelasbridgeclub.com | Swiss Teams 1:00pm 4th Sun— D,J,F,M,&A | 9am Student (Casita) 12:30p Open | 9:30am NLM (Casita) 12:30pm Open & NLM | 12:30pm Open & 299 6:30p Open | 12:30pm Open | 10:00am Open | |
| Mountain View Duplicate Bridge Club (Jo Ann Aiken, Club Manager) jotax123@aol.com 38759 Mountain View Blvd, Saddlebrooke - 818-1727 Mountainviewbridgeclub.com | | | 1:00pm | | | 1:00pm | |
| Queen of Hearts Bridge Club 744-4212 (James Richhart, Manager)— richhart@comcast.net On Dove Mountain Rd, 2.3 Mi North off Tangerine Rd | | | | | 9:00am Thru April 2010 | | |
| Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club (Doris Kuzmak, Director/Manager) dldkay@cox.net 625-4027 or 237-1959 —600 S La Canada, Green Valley, Parish Hall at St. Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church | | | | | | | 12:30pm Open |
| Thunder Mountain Bridge Club 608 E Fry Boulevard, Sierra Vista 803-9564 , 432-3883 or dhard@cox.net www.sierravistabridge.com | | 12:30pm | | 12:30pm | 6:30pm | 12:30pm | |

SPECIAL EVENTS SCHEDULE – July 2010

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|---|
| | | | | July 1 | July 2 | July 3 |
| | | | | | AD CC | AD Charity Game (1pm) |
| July 4 | July 5 | July 6 | July 7 | July 8 | July 9 | July 10 |
| AD NAP | | | AD NAP | AD NAP LC CC | Sectional (Ruidoso) | AD NAP (1pm) S NAP Sectional (Ruidoso) |
| July 11 | July 12 | July 13 | July 14 | July 15 | July 16 | July 17 |
| AD NAP Sectional (Ruidoso) | | AD Birthdays LC CC | | | | AD CC (Both Games) Sectional (Albuquerque) |
| July 18 | July 19 | July 20 | July 21 | July 22 | July 23 | July 24 |
| Unit Game Las Candelas Bridge Club 1pm | | | LC NAP | AD CC NABC (New Orleans) | International Fund Game @ Local Clubs NABC (New Orleans) | AD NAP (1pm) S NAP NABC (New Orleans) |
| July 25 | July 26 | July 27 | July 28 | July 29 | July 30 | July 31 |
| AD NAP NABC (New Orleans) | NABC (New Orleans) | NABC (New Orleans) | NABC (New Orleans) | NABC (New Orleans) | NABC (New Orleans) | AD Upgraded CC (1pm) NABC (New Orleans) |

Abbreviations: **AD**— Adobe, **LC**— Las Candelas, **MV**— Mountain View, **QH**— Queen of Hearts, **S**— Saguaro, **TM**— Thunder Mountain, **B**— Birthdays, **BAM**— Board-a-Match, **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

Pro-Am Swiss Team – Registration Form

Sunday, August 29, 2010

12:30 PM (1 PM game start) at Las Candelas

There are new definitions for a Pro and an Am for the August 29 Pro-Am Swiss Game. A Pro-Am Pair is composed of:

- One player who has less than 300 masterpoints and is not a Life Master, called an Am, and
- One player who has 300 or more masterpoints regardless of whether they are a Life Master, called a Pro.

Both of the above conditions must be true according to ACBL's records on August 22, 2010. This means that you must think ahead about when your points are being recorded at ACBL's headquarters. One advantage of the new definitions is that all players are eligible to play in the game in one category or the other.

A Pro-Am Team is composed of two Pro-Am Pairs.

It shouldn't be any surprise that communicating with a partner you have never played with before is difficult and may lead to mistakes. So we suggest that you play a few times with your Pro partner before the game, decide on your conventions, and fill out your convention card. But to be fair the Pro and Am should not be regular partners.

Las Candelas has a maximum of 30 tables (we had 28 tables in January), and eligibility and stratification (by team average) need to be determined ahead of time. Therefore please register by August 22 by filling out this form and giving it to the director at any of the clubs. You can also email your registration and last minute changes to Brenda Sonderegger, the Pro-Am director, at sonder@cox.net.

A light snack will be provided before the game, so please arrive around 12:30 PM. This will also allow time for you to discuss your team's strategy and for the director to finalize everything for the game.

Pro-AM Team (must provide ACBL number):

Pro's Name: _____ ACBL #: _____

Am's Name: _____ ACBL #: _____

Pro's Name: _____ ACBL #: _____

Am's Name: _____ ACBL #: _____

If you need a partner or team talk to Marge Curvin at a game, email her at m.curvin@yahoo.com or call her at (520) 319-1081.

Good Luck!!