

Unit 356



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# Desert Kibitzer

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## March Events

### March 3

Unit Game  
Las Candelas

### March 4

ACBL Wide Senior Game  
Local Clubs

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## Welcome New Members

Lidia H Allen  
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## **January Masterpoint Winners**

### **Adobe Bridge Club**

#### ***Master Point Winners Under 1000***

Betsy Howe 10.27; Eric Schulz 8.48; Jo-Ann Vaughn 5.6; Linda S Johnson 5.51;  
Donald Davis 5.04; Sandra Davis 5.04.

#### ***Master Point Winners Over 1000***

Greg West 17.77; Kenneth Badertscher 16.62; George Good 16.62;  
B Robert Simrak 15.73; Percy Brown 15.37.

### **Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club**

#### ***Top Ten Master Point Winners***

Bill Hackbarth 15.92; Ken Grafton 14.44; Linda Miller 12.7; Jeff Blake 12.16; Mary Baptist 11.01; Fran Herrmann 10.13; Bob Baptist 10.01; Jon Stromquist 9.27;  
Al Bowman 9.06; Ron Payne 8.87;

### **Las Candelas Bridge Club**

#### ***Master Point Winners Under 500***

Jared Boulds 9.72; John Piet 4.81; Richard Kelly 3.25; Sue Kennedy 2.81;  
JoAnn Vaughn 2.71.

#### ***Master Point Winners Open***

Dave Douglas 19.99; Eric Swanson 14.32; Jean Montague 10.86; Nona Dale 9.71;  
Joy Rieckers 8.87

### **Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club**

#### ***Top Master Point Winners***

Ted Walden 7.01; Karen Eble 5.50; Russ Stowers 5.36; Ron Payne 4.95; Roberta Stowers 4.66; Paul Black 4.44; Marty Allen 4.13; Nora Tkacz 3.18; Tom Kahler 2.50;  
Warren Fuesz 2.32

### **Mountain View Bridge Club**

#### ***Master Point Winners NLM***

James Young 3.62; Betty Edwards 2.36; Midge Miller 2.36; Eileen Hooks 2.28;  
Jane Pendley 2.04.

#### ***Master Point Winners Open***

Bob Brussel 6.46; Jeff Lesser 4.01; Sheila Lesser 4.01; Barb Feeley 3.61;  
Amiel Goodman 3.20

**Las Candelas** *By Eric Swanson*

**65% Games**

Jane Wienke - Jill Berger 76.50; Aaron Carnes - Dave Douglass 72.22; Judd Jones - Nancy Holt 70.67; Bob - Sandra Pagano 70.00; Joyce Rieckers - Jenni Anderson 69.87; Sharon - Garret Terrill 68.23; Don Cherry - Larry Rabideaux 67.59; JoAnn Aiken - Nona Dale 67.59; Dave Douglass - Eric Swanson 67.15; Fran Hill - Bill Call 66.44; Don O'Bryan - Bill Call 66.29; Patty Teik - Ginnie Culp 66.21; Dave Douglass - Nona Dale 66.16; Bob Hinkle - Geri Biggs 65.28; Judd Jones - Shatki Routh 65.27; Jean Montague - Shatki Routh 65.13.

**Saguaro** *By Doris Kuzmak*

**65% Games**

Karen Eble - Ted Walden 66.90%; Marty Allen - Paul Black 65.05%.

Our Spring Party will be held on March 16. Bring a side dish to share and buy your entries and have lunch at 11:45. This will be a Club Championship Game. Game starts at 12:30.

**Green Valley** *By Allen Bowman*

**65% Games**

Bob & Mary Baptist 71.06; Mary Bonham & Lillian Mahvi 69.68; Gene Maki & Linda Miller 69.21; Myra DeByle & Carol Skomars 68.41; Ron Payne & Lorraine Vonk 68.15; Ken Grafton & Arne Maki 67.59; Darlene Armacost & Karen Eble 67.48; Ken Grafton & Russ Stowers 66.67; Jon & Roberta Stromquist 65.97; Bill Hackbarth & Linda Miller 65.74; Ken Grafton & Ted Walden 65.74; Warren Fuesz & Ron Payne 65.54; Jeff Blake & Mary Ann Allen 65.51; Bill Hackbarth & Lorraine Vonk 65.42; Ken Grafton & Gail Meyer 65.05.

**49'er Top Games**

Lynne Knight & Donna Moore 69.21; Edward Jorge & Jerry Larsen 68.29; Dorlene Jones & Marjorie Simpson 68.00; James & Lavonne Benning 66.65; Dick & Pam Duchaine 66.00; Jim Chisholm & Tom Saville 65.53.

**Adobe** *By Len Hall and Ann Hinge*

**65% games**

Martin Schiff Jr - Michael Levy 70.83; Louis Herbster - Edward Helpert 70.19; George Good - Greg West 69.39; Greg West - Larry Dunham 67.13; Seymour Einstein - Ernest McCray 66.96; Henry Buch - Richard Plumer 66.37; Charlotte Weller - Jo-Ann Vaughn 66.19; Carol Pilmar - Catherine Collinson 66.08; Ladonna Palm - Linda S Johnson 65.97; Nancy Atherton - Cookie Evans 65.87; George Good - Greg West 65.54; Louis Herbster - Phillis Herbster 65.51; Betsy Howe - Kenneth Badertscher 65.28; Stephen Pozez - Linda Lineberry 65.25; Rosemary L Wade-Williams - Henry Williams 65.25; Bob Keegan - Susan Keegan 65.00; Richard Bryan - Kit Roche 65.00.

## **Mountain View Bridge Club**

### **65% games**

James Young - Eileen Hooks 67%

### **Over 70% Games**

Jane Wienke - Jill Berger 76.50; Aaron Carnes - Dave Douglass 72.22;  
Bob & Mary Baptist 71.06; Martin Schiff Jr - Michael Levy 70.83;  
Judd Jones - Nancy Holt 70.67; Louis Herbster - Edward Helpert 70.19;  
Bob - Sandra Pagano 70.00;

### **Darwin Afdahl Elected President of District 17**

Congratulations to Darwin, who was elected President of District 17 at the Albuquerque meeting.

### **New Unit 356 Board Members**

Judson Jones has been appointed to the Board to fill out the remaining term of Derek Graybill and Terry Coe has been appointed I/N Representative.

### **Mini-McKenney and Ace of Clubs**

At the March 3, 1 PM Unit game at Las Candelas we will hand out the Ace of Clubs certificates and Mini-McKenney awards for 2012.

Congratulation to:

Mini-McKenney winners

Jared Boulds, Hurd Baruch, Jo-Ann H Vaughn, Terry Coe, Jane C Pendley, Jere' Webb, Derek B Graybill, Adair M Karlin, Marian Wilson, Dave L Douglass, Allen L Bowman, Kay E Afdahl

Ace of Club winners

Jared Boulds, Hurd Baruch, Jo-Ann H Vaughn, Claire B Genser, Anita Weis, Jere' Webb, Yvette L Gormley, Adair M Karlin, Fran Herrmann, Dave L Douglass, Allen L Bowman, Martin Schiff Jr, Kenneth R Badertscher.

You can find the full winners list at:

<http://www.southernarizonabridge.com/Races/U356%20Ace%20of%20Clubs%203-2013.pdf>

and

<http://www.southernarizonabridge.com/Races/U356%20Mini-McKenney%203-2013.pdf>

## Recent Rank Advances

### New Club Masters:

Douglas J Donahue  
Michael P Fox  
Robert A Keegan  
Susan Keegan  
Frank L Spittle  
Elliott J Weiss

### New Sectional Masters:

David W Jaskar  
David T Lloyd  
Sylvia Reed  
Pamela J Shoemaker

## Recent Rank Advances

### New Regional Masters:

Dorothy F Colip  
Mary E Dorsey  
George J Kersels

### New NABC Masters:

Mary Ahearn  
Dorothy Lu

### New Life Masters:

Karen A Balch  
Ronald W Gagne

### New Bronze Life Masters:

Derek B Graybill

## BRIDGE BITES #21

## VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY

Brian Gunnell

Forgive the grandiloquent title, we are not talking here about Lewis and Clark, nor the HMS Beagle, nor even Christopher Columbus. We merely refer to Declarer's intelligent (but hardly epic) play of the ♣K in the following deal:

|                  |
|------------------|
| ♠ K9             |
| ♥ 854            |
| ♦ QT             |
| ♣ QJT842         |
| <i>Dummy</i>     |
| <i>West East</i> |
| <i>Declarer</i>  |
| ♠ AJT652         |
| ♥ 963            |
| ♦ KJ3            |
| ♣ K              |

E-W Vulnerable

South West North East

1NT

2♠ Pass Pass Pass

Just in case it happens to be a *really* useful clue, we should point out that East's 1NT showed 15-17 HCP.

West leads the ♥J which holds the trick. East wins next two tricks with the ♥Q followed by the ♥A. Now East cashes the ♦A and continues the suit. You can win this in hand or in Dummy, and must decide how to tackle trumps. What is the percentage play?

With a combined holding of 8 trumps the percentage play is to finesse against the Queen rather than to play for the drop. It's a two-way finesse ... you can lead towards Dummy and finesse the Nine ... or, alternatively, you can cash Dummy's King and finesse the other way. All things being equal (that is, with no clues from the bidding and the play) you would lead to the King and then finesse against East. Is that how you would play the trump suit?

The answer is "maybe". You can eliminate all guesswork by discovering more about the hand first. If your next play (after winning the second Diamond trick) is to play the ♣K, then you will find out who has the Ace in that suit. How will that help?

East has already shown up with ♥AKQ and ♦A. That's 13 HCP. So you can see that if East has the ♣A that gives him 17 HCP and no room for the ♠Q ... and if East does not have the ♣A then he *must* have the ♠Q for his 1NT opening. Playing the ♣K before tackling trumps is a so-called "discovery play".

|                                   |  |                                   |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                   | ♠ K9<br>♥ 854<br>♦ QT<br>♣ QJT842                                  |                                   |
| ♠ Q84<br>♥ JT7<br>♦ 9652<br>♣ 975 | <i>Dummy</i><br><br><i>West</i> <i>East</i><br><br><i>Declarer</i> | ♠ 73<br>♥ AKQ2<br>♦ A874<br>♣ A63 |
|                                   | ♠ AJT652<br>♥ 963<br>♦ KJ3<br>♣ K                                  |                                   |

When East shows up with the ♣A, he's up to his maximum quota of 17 HCP, and now it's a certainty that *West* has the ♠Q. That being the case, you ruff East's Club return and take an immediate finesse of the ♠9! The ♠K is now cashed, then back to hand with a Club ruff. The remaining trump is extracted and it's 8 tricks for those who did some counting and discovering!

Of course, if Declarer uses discovery in the play of the hand then it follows that the defenders should practice the art of concealment. Do you see anything fiendishly cunning that East might have done during the play?

This might seem far-fetched, and the play would be far from obvious at the table, but suppose that East wins Trick 1 with the *Ace* ... then cashes the *Queen* ... then leads a *low* Heart to Partner's Ten! Doesn't that look like an East who started with ♥AQ2? It sure does! Declarer is likely to assume that West's opening lead is from ♥KJT7, in which case a discovery play is not even needed. If West has four points in Hearts then East *must* have the ♠Q to make up his opening bid. What a terrific deceptive play!

## WEEKLY CLUB SCHEDULES

| Club   | Sunday                | Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday                           | Friday                          | Saturday                                      |
|--|-----------------------|---|---|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| <b>Adobe Bridge Club</b><br>(Leonard Hall Club Manager)<br>adobebridge@qwestoffice.net<br>3727 E Blacklidge - <b>795-2441</b><br>www.adobebridgeclub.org   | <b>1:00pm</b><br>Open | <b>9:00am</b><br>Newcomer<br><b>12:30pm</b><br>Open &<br>199'er | <b>12:30pm</b><br>Open &<br>NLM   | <b>12:30pm</b><br>Open                                | <b>12:30pm</b><br>Open &<br>NLM    | <b>12:30pm</b><br>Open          | <b>9:00am</b><br>NLM<br><b>1:00pm</b><br>Open |
| <b>Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club</b><br>Games Open to Members and Guests Only<br>(Al Bowman—Club Manager) <a href="mailto:albowmangv@cox.net">albowmangv@cox.net</a><br><a href="http://gvbridge.com">gvbridge.com</a>  |                       | <b>1:00pm</b><br>Inv<br>Canoa                                   |   |   | <b>1:00pm</b><br>Inv<br>Canoa      | <b>1:00pm</b><br>Inv<br>Canoa   |   |
| <b>High Desert Hands</b><br>(Mary Ahearn, Club Manager)<br>mahearn@vtc.net<br>1270 Treasure Road, Sunsites - <b>603-4359</b>   |                       |   |   |   |                                    | <b>1:00pm</b>                   |   |
| <b>Las Candelas Bridge Club</b><br>(Sunny Bal, Club Manager)<br><a href="mailto:contact@lascandelasbridgeclub.com">contact@lascandelasbridgeclub.com</a><br>401 E. Limberlost - <b>696-9101</b><br><a href="http://www.bridgewebs.com/lascandelas">www.bridgewebs.com/lascandelas</a>                            |                       | <b>12:30pm</b><br>Open  | <b>9:30-11:30am</b><br>Bid and Play<br><br><b>12:30pm</b><br>Open & NLM | <b>12:30pm</b><br>Open & NLM<br><br><b>6:30p</b> Open | <b>12:30pm</b><br>Open             | <b>10:00am</b><br>Open &<br>NLM |   |
| <b>Mountain View Duplicate Bridge Club</b><br>(Jo Ann Aiken, Club Manager) <a href="mailto:jotax123@aol.com">jotax123@aol.com</a><br>38759 Mountain View Blvd, Saddlebrooke - <b>818-1727</b><br><a href="http://www.bridgewebs.com/mountainview/">www.bridgewebs.com/mountainview/</a>                          |                       |   | <b>1:00pm</b>   |   |                                    | <b>1:00pm</b>                   |   |
| <b>Queen of Hearts Bridge Club 744-4212</b><br>(James Richhart, Manager)— <a href="mailto:richhart@comcast.net">richhart@comcast.net</a><br>On Dove Mountain Rd, 2.3 Mi North off Tangerine Rd   |                       |   |   |   | <b>9:00am</b><br>Seasonal          |                                 |   |
| <b>Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club</b><br>(Doris Kuzmak, Director/Manager) <a href="mailto:dldkay@cox.net">dldkay@cox.net</a><br><b>625-4027</b> or <b>237-1959</b> —600 S La Canada, Green Valley,<br>Parish Hall at St. Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church<br><a href="http://gvbridge.com">gvbridge.com</a> |                       |   |   |   |                                    |                                 | <b>12:30pm</b><br>Open                        |
| <b>Thunder Mountain Bridge Club</b><br>Diana Smith, Mgr 803-9564 or 432-3883<br>608 E Fry Boulevard, Sierra Vista<br><a href="http://www.sierravistabridge.com">www.sierravistabridge.com</a>  |                       | <b>12:30pm</b>  |   | <b>12:30pm</b>  | <b>6:30pm</b>                      | <b>12:30pm</b>                  |   |
| <b>Tucson Charity Bridge</b><br>(Ruth Houkom, Club Manager)<br>5360 E Pima Street, Tucson<br><a href="mailto:info@tucsoncharitybridge.com">info@tucsoncharitybridge.com</a> OR<br><a href="http://www.tucsoncharitybridge.com">www.tucsoncharitybridge.com</a>   |                       | <b>5pm</b><br>NLM<br>(Ventana)                                  |   |   | <b>12:30pm</b><br>NLM<br>(Streams) |                                 |   |

## SPECIAL EVENTS SCHEDULE – January 2013

| Sunday          | Monday                   | Tuesday  | Wednesday | Thursday   | Friday   | Saturday |
|-----------------|--------------------------|----------|-----------|------------|----------|----------|
| March 31        |                          |          |           |            | March 1  | March 2  |
|                 |                          |          |           |            | GV CG    | AD SFG   |
| March 3         | March 4                  | March 5  | March 6   | March 7    | March 8  | March 9  |
| Unit Game<br>LC | AD Senior                | AD CG    |           | GV CG      |          |          |
| March 10        | March 11                 | March 12 | March 13  | March 14   | March 15 | March 16 |
| AD CG           | GV CG                    | AD B     |           |            | LC CC    | AD CG    |
| March 17        | March 18                 | March 19 | March 20  | March 21   | March 22 | March 23 |
| LC ST SFG       | AD CG<br>LC CC<br>GV SFG | AD AMB   |           | AD, GV SFG | AD CG    |          |
| March 24        | March 25                 | March 26 | March 27  | March 28   | March 29 | March 30 |
| AD CC           |                          |          | AD CG     | AD CG      | LC B     |          |

**Abbreviations:** AD—Adobe, LC—Las Candelas, MV—Mountain View, S—Saguaro, TM—Thunder Mountain, GV—Green Valley, 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, SFG—Special Fund Game, SR—Sectionally Rated, ST—Swiss Teams, UWC—Unit Wide Championship, AMB—Membership Game, GNT—GNT Qualifier