



November 2016

November Events

Friday November 11
Unit Wide Game

Sunday November 13
Unit Game
Adobe

November 17 - 20
Fall Sectional
Hotel Tucson

Welcome New Members

Joyce Hoffman
Mary Jo Jacoby
Janet S Johns
Lilly J Walker-Kittsley
Robert Wendland

2015 UNIT 356 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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HOSPITALITY: Joan Merrill

PUBLICITY: Cindy Shoemaker & Mindy Hawkins

DISTRICT 17 REP: Darwin Afdahl

Webmaster and Kibitzer: Ann Hinge

Mike's Play and Learn Bridge *By Mike Smith*

September Results

Top Ten Master Point Winners

Vonnie Erickson 1.67; Andy Stein 1.48; Jean Berry 1.36; Nunzio Addabbo 1.09;
Carl Koprowicz 1.08; Sharon Eisenhower 1.08

65% games

Vonnie Erickson - Andy Stein 81.43; Audrey Einstein - Shirley Chann 75.60;
Arlo McDowell - Tomoko Hassel 69.44

Tucson Charity Bridge *By Pat Felker*

September Results

Top Ten Master Point Winners

Hurd Baruch 8.87; Elliott Weiss 5.99; Samuel Sagi 4.76; Lu Rudolph 4.75;
Janice Richard 4.34; Robert Bixby 3.98; Ernest McCray 3.72; Armin Cicala 3.58;
Howard Richard 3.41; Diann Plunkett 3.22; Paul Plunkett 3.22.

65% GAMES

Samuel Sagi – Max Cooper 71.06; Hurd Baruch - Lu Rudolph 69.64;
Hurd Baruch - Elliott Weiss 69.44; Hurd Baruch - Elliot Weiss 68.77;
Robert Helitzer - Diana Galis 66.67; Pat Hamill - Mary Jo Jacoby 66.44;
Sandra Cohen - Pamela Shoemaker 65.68. Hurd Baruch - Lu Rudolph 65.50.

Green Valley *By Allen Bowman*

September Results

Top Ten Master Point Winners

Nora Tkacz 11.57; Jon Stromquist 10.58; Allen Bowman 10.47; Arne Maki 8.68;
Ted Walden 7.01; Gene Maki 6.84; Franz Schatz 6.79; Russ Stowers 6.01;
Marty Allen 5.83; Paul Black 5.29.

65% games

Dave & Sue Sachs 74.31; Marty Allen - Nora Tkacz 74.64;
Fran Herrmann - Joan Opinante 68.75; Court & David Smith 68.06;
Paul Black - Allen Bowman 68.01; Franz Schatz - Ted Walden 67.56;
Arne & Gene Maki 67.06; Paul Black - Russ Stowers 66.52;
Paul Black - Allen Bowman 66.44; Gene Maki - Linda Miller 66.44;
Les Balascoe - Arne Maki 65.54; Jon Stromquist - Nora Tkacz 65.48;
Bob & Mary Baptist 65.38; Jeannette Hallquist - Kathy Schiemann 65.28;
Mick & Linda Miller 65.28; Al Bowman - Brenda Sonderegger 65.11.

Adobe *By Jared Boulds*

September Results

Master Point Winners Under 750

Ron Bliss 10.24; Brad Leach 9.87; Jeannette Hallquist 9.04;
Kathleen Schiemann 9.04; Duncan Macdonell 8.64;

Master Point Winners 0 - 2500

Tim Tilton 19.15; Carol Pilmar 16.01; Joan Merrill 11.94; Walter Mann 11.22;
Ron Bliss 10.24;

Master Point Winners Open

George Good 19.28; Tim Tilton 19.15; Carol Pilmar 16.01; B Robert Simrak 15.99;
Martin Schiff Jr 14.42.

65% games

Eleanor Furtak - Eleanor Horton 73.26; Jim Cosmas - John Schocke 68.44;
David Rinehart - Randy Mandigo 68.00; Mark Leibowitz - Tina Mendenhall 67.56;
George Good - Dev De Lucia 67.21; Carolyn & Steve Reynolds 66.95;
Karen Balch - Barbara Rosenthal 66.51; Tim Tilton - Joan Merrill 66.20;
Bob Lewis - Chuck Shaul 65.63;

Saguaro *By Doris Kuzmak*

September Results

Ken Grafton 6.67; Ted Walen 4.64; Les Balascoe 4.56; Russ Hanson 4.52;
Mike Knight 4.13; Arne Maki 4.11; Chris Martin 4.03; Warren Fuesz 3.94;
Sue Walsh 3.63 and Franz Schatz 2.84

65% GAMES

Warren Fuesz & Ted Walden 65.03

Bridge Center of Greater Tucson *By Al Spaet*

September Results

Master Point Winners

Barbara Feeley Sullenger 5.35; Al Spaet 4.13; Darwin and Kay Afdahl 3.94;
Hy Osofsky 3.64; Michelle Werley 3.57;

65% GAMES

Hy Osofsky - Ron Bliss 67.00; Gordon & Harriet Diss 67.00.

Small Slams Bridge Club *By Joyce Honorof*

September Results

Top Ten Master Point Winners

Ellie Brietbart 3.90; Phil Bush 3.06; Sue Bush 3.06; Sylvia Goldin 3.02;
Miki Pratt 2.67; Helen Turner 2.67; Karen Muench 1.95; Stephanie Parks 1.95;
Barbara Haugland 1.72; Ed Haugland 1.72

65% Games

Phil & Sue Bush 72.61; Ellie Breitbart - Sylvia Goldin 67.48;
Ellie Breitbart - Barbara Starrett 66.71

Thunder Mountain Bridge Center *By James Cobis*

September Results

Top Ten Master Point Winners

Paul Soper 9.72; Jim Cobis 7.47; Marc Hay 6.35; Margaret Glenn 5.18;
Mary Aveiro 4.49; Carol Thornton 4.39; Judy Shelnett- 4.26; Mary Blanchard 4.13;
Richard Turke 3.97; Emily Anderson 3.83.

65% games

Mary Blanchard - Carol Thornton 68.00; Emily Anderson - Jim Cobis 65.00.

**Unit 356 Minutes
September 11, 2016**

The meeting of Unit 356 was called to order by Vice President Ken Grafton, 11:20 AM, Greater Tucson Bridge Club. Present were: Ken Grafton, Mindy Hawkins, Joan Merrill, Steve Reynolds, Ann Shaylor, Cindy Shoemaker and D17 Representative Darwin Afdahl.

The August minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report: Steve stated that \$2500 was spent on member appreciation games (four games over two years) and \$2500 was spent on new bridge mates for tournament usage. Steve provided clarification that the print costs of \$900 allocated to the NLM Regional include printing for three additional tournaments. Print costs for the NLM regional were approximately \$320.

District 17 update: Darwin stated that there is nothing new to report for the district unit and to contact him with questions.

Membership report: Tabled for November.

Tournaments: Steve said we are prepared for our next tournaments with set-up for the November sectional on Wednesday evening. Steve reminded the Board to help Sunday evening after play. A discussion of future venues has been tabled for October.

Flyers have been created and distributed for upcoming sectionals and ads have been scheduled for placement in the Scorecard. Flyers are available on the unit website.

Tucson Winter Regional: To increase attendance, Steve stated he is working with the Radisson to provide a free Sunday stay for attendees who book rooms Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Steve said he is working with the Radisson to provide two Sunday stays for those who book rooms for the entire tournament.

Joan pointed out that cards used at the Phoenix regional, Talking Stick, were dirty and stressed that we should provide clean cards for the Tucson Winter Regional.

Cindy stated we need to have a timeline and a plan for the Tucson Winter Regional.

Cindy and Mindy will work with Mary Primeau to create a design/logo for our Tucson Winter Regional that will be used for the patch and for the T-shirts awarded to “winners”.

Cindy stated that we can use Fast Results to create a daily bulletin for the regional. Fast Results provides templates where board members can add copy and columns before the regional adding only results daily. This option requires a minimum donation to the ACBL Educational fund, reduces print costs and supports District objectives of looking for ways to go green.

Mindy stated that flyers for the Tucson Winter Regional and upcoming sectionals have been mailed for distribution. They have been added to the ACBL website, Facebook and to our unit website. An ad will be created and placed in the Scorecard.

Cactus Flower Non-Life Regional: Cindy reported that marketing has been completed for the regional. Along with Constant Contact emails to unit NLMs, she created a Roadmap to the regional that was sent out electronically by Fast Results to attendees for the last two years at no cost to the unit. The Roadmap was also placed on the unit website. The ACBL also sent out an e-mail blast. An article, photo and an ad for the regional ran in the Scorecard.

Club Manager: Joan had nothing new to report.

Hospitality: Joan made a request for help with clean-up after unit games.

Education: Ann Shaylor stated that the speakers are set for November. She is working on obtaining speakers for the January sectional. Adair will secure speakers for the Tucson Winter Regional. Speakers are set for the NLM regional. Flyers have been distributed. Cindy suggested we consider cost-effectively videoing speaker presentations and providing access to the videos via our website as an educational opportunity to our unit members.

Publicity: See information under event headings.

I/N representative: Publicity for the pro-am is in full force with Constant Contact blasts being made to past attendees, to unit NLM members, instructors and directors. Flyers have been distributed to clubs and are available on our unit website. To date, we have 10 teams.

Caddy status: Tabled for October.

New business:

Print costs: Carolyn raised whether we should reduce our print costs by lowering the quantity of Unit event flyers distributed at outside sectionals/regionals focusing on electronic sources. Joan stated that she and Adair use the ability to pick up flyers at events as their primary source of information and that Joan would like this option to continue. Cindy stated that Barry asked for a cost comparison of printing in the area using set criteria to reduce our costs. This comparison was made and it has resulted in cost reductions. Mailing costs will be reviewed.

Cindy asked for board feedback on giving outside vendors the opportunity to sell product/services at unit events. She asked for board feedback on selling of raffle tickets at the NLM Regional. The board made a motion without a second not to participate in these ventures.

Discussion of upcoming board elections: Cindy will seek a full board position. Ken is resigning as vice president of the unit board to hold a leadership position on the bridge board in Green Valley. Ken will speak to Barry about his current board position and the potential conflict of being on the unit board and the

Adobe Bridge Club board at the same time. Carolyn will also seek a board position.

Recent Rank Advances

New Junior Masters:

Margaret C Dudley
Joyce E Honorof
Donna A Sachrison
Moreen R Yunck

New Club Masters:

Michael P Bording
Deborah F Bright Donnelly
Vikki McBee
Arlo R McDowell
Jo Ogurek
Robert F Ogurek

New Sectional Masters:

Dorothy M Elliott
Kathleen A Feeney
Edith E Hawkins
Cheryl S Ledford
Dorlene E Quinn-Jones
Larry Reich

Recent Rank Advances

New Sectional Masters:

Barbara Starrett
Cecily J Surace
Marcia D Winick

New Regional Masters:

Sheila L Tuhy

New NABC Masters:

Linda Grissom
Mary Primeau

New Silver Masters:

Shirley J Soucek

New Sapphire Masters:

Max Limbocker

New Platinum Masters:

Robert P Baptist

Over 70% Games all Clubs

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Congratulation Virginia

Virginia Brier won the Adobe raffle.
A roundtrip to Orlando for the Nationals, 3 days stay
at Walt Disney World Dolphin the host hotel and 4
playing sessions with Marty Bergen

Tucson Bridge Community Mourns the Loss of Bob Hinkle



Unit 356 announces the passing of Bob Hinkle; teacher, mentor and friend to countless bridge players throughout Southern Arizona.

His kind words, positive attitude and love for the game will be missed. Hinkle was found deceased in his home Friday, September 30. He was 69.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, November 12 from 10:15 am to 11:30 am at Adair Funeral Home, the Dodge Chapel, 1050 N. Dodge Blvd. Details to follow: www.adairfuneralhomes.com

Please reference [Tucson Bridge Community Loses its King of Hearts](#), *AZ Daily Star* -- an excellent article that captures the spirit of Bob.

http://tucson.com/news/local/tucson-bridge-community-loses-its-king-of-heart/article_a3f80cad-de0d-55d0-ac46-e556ccc8cc41.html

New Unit Board Members

Adair Karlin, Ann Shaylor, Steve Reynolds, Carolyn Reynolds, Cindy Shoemaker
Were elected to the Unit board by acclamation.

BRIDGE BITES #65

NICE TRY

Brian Gunnell

♠ A9752 ♥ 985 ♦ A97 ♣ 64	None Vulnerable South West North East 1♣ 1♥ 1♠ 2♥ 3♣ Pass Pass Pass
Dummy West East Declarer	West cashes the ♥K and gets the discouraging Four from East. West shifts to a trump, after which things look bleak for Declarer! From the bidding and the play to the first trick it appears that West has overcalled with ♥AKxx.
♠ 43 ♥ Q32 ♦ Q2 ♣ AKQJ93	How do you avoid losing five tricks?

After drawing trumps, you could try ducking a Spade, your hope being that the suit is 3-3 and that the Diamond loser will eventually go away on the long Spades. What's wrong with that idea?

That won't work against good opponents, they will take care that the defender *without* the ♦K wins that Spade trick and shifts to a Diamond, knocking out the entry to Dummy before it can be used to access the future Spade winners.

Any other ideas?

The only chance is an end-play against West. If you can force him to play a second round of Hearts or to lead the first round of Diamonds (away from his hoped-for King), then one of your losers will disappear. You'll need West to have the doubleton Spade King, in which case you can draw trumps, play a Spade to the Ace, and exit a Spade. West is forced to win the trick with his ♠K, and must now play one of the red suits. Bingo, that's 9 tricks!

♠ A9752 ♥ 985 ♦ A97 ♣ 64	Dummy West East Declarer	♠ QT86 ♥ J64 ♦ JT653 ♣ 8
♠ KJ ♥ AKT7 ♦ K84 ♣ T753		♠ 43 ♥ Q32 ♦ Q2 ♣ AKQJ93

That was well done, but if Zia had been sitting West he would have dumped the ♠K on the first round of Spades! How do you overcome that setback?

No problem! Your clever counter would be to duck that trick (remember, the idea is to keep East off lead) and to win the Spade return with Dummy's Ace. Now you ruff a Spade and, when Zia shows out, you can count his original distribution as 2=4=3=4. This is the position with one trump left to be played:

Dummy

♠ 9
♥ 9
♦ A97
♣

Zia

♠
♥ AT
♦ K84
♣

East

♠ Q
♥ J6
♦ JT
♣

Declarer

♠
♥ Q3
♦ Q2
♣ 9

You cash your last trump and Zia is squeezed! He has these unpleasant choices:

- If he comes down to ♥AT ♦K8, you play ♦A and out a Diamond, end-playing him in Hearts.
- If he comes down to ♥A ♦K84, you throw him in with a Heart and make a surprising overtrick!

Good defense, Zia, but not quite good enough!



**CONGRATULATIONS HURD BARUCH!
OVERALL MASTERPOINT COUNT WINNER
2016 CACTUS FLOWER NON-LIFE MASTER REGIONAL**



Hurd Baruch, Tucson, was the overall masterpoint count winner of the Cactus Flower Non-life Master Regional held September 22-25, 2016 at the Hotel Tucson. Along with earning 15.11 masterpoints, Hurd was awarded a one-day workshop with Larry Cohen, Saturday, May 6, 2017 at the White Stallion Ranch, Tucson. The workshop is provided by Finesse West, combining world-class travel and bridge since 1988.





Tucson Fall Sectional

Thursday—Sunday

November 17—20, 2016

Hotel Tucson City Center, Tucson, AZ

Hotel Tucson City Center, 475 N Granada Avenue, 520-622-3000

Rooms \$69 single/double & \$79 executive suite. Includes breakfast and WiFi. Blocked rooms reserved until November 10, 2016. For preferred rates use booking code ABC.

Thursday, November 17, 2016

9 am Stratified pairs (single session)
Stratified 199'er pairs (single session)
Knockout 1 (round 1)

1:30 pm Stratified pairs (single session)
Single session Swiss Teams
Stratified 199'er pairs (single session)
Knockout 1 (round 2)

Friday, November 18, 2016

9 am Stratified pairs (single session)
Single session Swiss Teams
Stratified 199'er pairs (single session)
Knockout 1 (round 3)

1:30 pm Stratified pairs (single session)
Stratified 199'er pairs (single session)
Knockout 2 (round 1)

Saturday, November 19, 2016

9 am Stratified pairs (single session)
Single session Swiss Teams
Stratified 199'er pairs (single session)
Knockout 2 (round 2)

1:30 pm Stratified pairs (single session)
Single session Swiss Teams
Stratified 199'er pairs (single session)
Knockout 2 (round 3)

Sunday, November 20, 2016

9 am and TBA Swiss Teams (two sessions)
Stratified 199'er Swiss Teams (two sessions)

INCLUDES FREE BUFFET LUNCH

Free Lectures 12:30 pm Thursday—Saturday

Free coffee, tea, bagels, salmon, Danish and candy.

Fees: \$12 per person, per session for dues paying ACBL members \$16 remainder

Tournament Chair:

Steve Reynolds 520-488-7730, tvs1@cox.net

Director in Charge:

Eric Bell

Partnerships:

Rudy Martinez 925-382-9454

partnerships@southernarizonabridge.com

I/N Representative:

Cindy Shoemaker cndyshoemaker@yahoo.com

Stratified events

A=1500+ B=500-1500 C=0-500

199'er pairs:

D=100-200 E=20-100 F=0-20

Knockouts: Bracketed by average masterpoint holdings of all team members. Top bracket may be handicapped.

Strati-flighted Swiss Teams

Victory point scoring

A=3000+, Ax=0-3000, B=750-1500, C=300-750, D=0-300

199'ers: Victory point scoring

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WEEKLY CLUB SCHEDULES

Club	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Adobe Bridge Club (Jared Boulds Club Manager) 401 E Limberlost 795-2441 adoblebridge@qwestoffice.net www.bridgewebs.com/adobe	1:00pm Open	9.00 am 299'er 12:30pm Open & 749	9.00 am 199'er 12:30pm Open & 749	9.00 am 99'er 12:30pm Open & 749	12:30pm Open & 749	12:30pm Open	9:00am 749 Game 1:00pm Open
Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club Games Open to Members and Guests Only (Al Bowman—Club Manager) 3660 S Camino Del Sol albowmangv@cox.net gvbridge.com		1:00pm Inv Canoa			1:00pm Inv Canoa	1:00pm Inv Canoa	
High Desert Hands (Carol L Erbeck, Club Manager) 1270 Treasure Road, Pearce 520-559-7894 carol@crazyedoptical.com						12:00pm	
Mike's Play and Learn Bridge (Michael D Smith, Club Manager) 520-820-1757 5360 E Pima St Tucson AZ 85712 mikesmith55@cox.net						1:00 199'er	
Mountain View Duplicate Bridge Club (Jo Ann Aiken, Club Manager) 38759 Mountain View Blvd, Saddlebrooke - 818-1727 jotax123@aol.com www.bridgewebs.com/mountainview/			1:00pm			1:00pm	
Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club (Doris Kuzmak, Director/Manager) 600 S La Canada Dr 625-4027 or 237-1959 dldkay@cox.net gvbridge.com							12:30pm Open
Thunder Mountain Bridge Center 240 N Hwy 90 (James Cobis, Club Manager) P.O. box 839, Bisbee, Arizona 85603 or 520-366-1866 jacobisab@gmail.com		12:30pm		12:30pm		12:30pm	9:00am 1:00pm
Tucson Charity Bridge (Ruth Houkom, Club Manager) 5360 E Pima Street, Tucson info@tucsoncharitybridge.com OR www.bridgewebs.com/tucsoncharity		5.00pm 749 (Ventana)	12:30pm 749 (Streams)		12:30pm 749 (Streams)		9:00am 749 (Streams)
Bridge Center of Greater Tucson (Al Spaet Club Manager) 16150 N Oracle Road 520-825-2383 info@tucsonbridge.com OR www.tucsonbridge.com		1.00pm Open & 749	1.00pm 749	1.00pm Open & 749	1.00pm Open & 749	1.00pm 749	
Small Slams Bridge Club Open to SaddleBrooke and SaddleBrooke Ranch residents and their guests only (Joyce Honorof Club Manager) SaddleBrooke HOA #1 Activity Center and Clubhouse 64518 Galveston Lane; Tucson, AZ 85739 SmallSlamsBridgeClub@gmail.com www.bridgewebs.com/smallslams/					1.00pm 749		

SPECIAL EVENTS SCHEDULE – November 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		November 1	November 2	November 3	November 4	November 5
			AD CG BC CC	AD CC GV CG	MV CC GV CG	AD CG
November 6	November 7	November 8	November 9	November 10	November 11	November 12
AD CC	BC SFG GV CG	AD CG	BC SFG	AD CG SS AMB	Unit Wide CC GV, AD, MV, BC	
November 13	November 14	November 15	November 16	November 17	November 18	November 19
Unit Game Adobe	AD CG			Fall Sectional Hotel Tucson	Fall Sectional Hotel Tucson	Fall Sectional Hotel Tucson
November 20	November 21	November 22	November 23	November 24	November 25	November 26
Fall Sectional Hotel Tucson	GV Flighted Pro/Am	AD CC MV CG		AD CG		
November 27	November 28	November 29	November 30			
AD CG			AD CC			

Abbreviations: **AD**– Adobe, **MV** – Mountain View, **S** –Saguaro, **TM** – Thunder Mountain, **GV** - Green Valley, **HDH** - High Desert Hands, **TCB** - Tucson Charity Bridge, **MPL** - Mikes Play and Learn, **BC** - Bridge Center, **SS** - Small Slams
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, **NAP** - North American Pair Qualifier, * See write-up under club