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NAP Flight C
David Warner & Larry Smith

Ten Teams Advance To NAP National Finals In Reno

By Ira Hessel

On the first weekend in January, 95 pairs from all the Units in District 16 met in Austin to determine who would represent District 16 at the National finals to be held in fabulous Reno at The Spring Nationals March 17-28. After 4 sessions, 2-qualifying and 2 finals, David Hadden of San Antonio and Alex Kolesnik of Austin won the Flight A. Mike Doyle and Jamie Bass (with help from Allie) of Houston won Flight B and the Flight C winners were Larry Smith and David Warner of Austin.

Flight A proved to be a very formidable field that typifies the strength of District 16. When you consider the top tier players who constantly win at the National and World level such as Bob Hamman, Bobby Wolff, Dan Morse, Eddie Wold, Shawn Quinn, Mildred Breed, Sydney Lazard, John Mohan, John Sutherlin and Bart Bramley who don't regularly play in this event, it is remarkable that 25% of the 56 players that did start this event had won National Championships. All 14 of those players made the finals, which in no small part accounted for low, tight scores. Only one of those 14 qualified to make the Reno trip. Alex and Dave were the only players to break from the pack and won the event by 2 full Boards. After 104 boards the next 3 pairs were separated by 4 matchpoints on a 6 top. Nancy and Stephen Korney secured the second qualifying spot. Third in A was Mark Bumgardner from Dallas and San Antonio's Justin Lall, the youngest player in the event. They edged out the hapless fourth place pair by 1.60 matchpoints. To give an idea of the toughness of this event, the third qualifying pair barely broke 55% for the 4 sessions.

The winning pair plays a variation of Precision and believe in aggressive, active bidding typical of the modern successful players. Alex gives an account of his first finals round. "First hand of the evening session: I held AQx, AKJx, KJx, Qxx opposite xxx, Txxx, Qxx, xxx. Where do you want to be looking at both hands? I opened a club (strong), David bid 1D 0-8 and I bid 1H; all passed. 1H seems like the best spot. Everyone else played 2N. It was queen

doubleton of hearts onside with a spade led (king was onside). I made 110, losing 3 clubs, a spade, and a diamond, everyone else made 120 (4 hearts, 2 spades, and 2 diamonds while they could only take 4 clubs and a diamond). On many other layouts, we would be getting a top for playing 1H, but here we got a zero, for doing nothing wrong. A bad omen. But just as quickly, we got it back. On the next board, I opened 1C again, LHO bid 2H (showing spades or both minors, SUCTION). David said double and RHO bid 3C, intending it as pass or correct, while LHO thought it showed clubs. It went pass-pass-double by David, all pass. I led a club (trump), and we collected 800 for a total top, and we were back in it (luckily, they missed their 9 card spades fit to play their 6 card club fit). Just another average round."

Bob Scallan and Suresh Agrawal of Dallas finished 2nd in Flight B followed by John Hampton and Michael Hout of Plano. John Comeau of North Richland Hills and Neal Shores of Fort Worth who nipped Stewart Angel and Jonathan Ernest by less than 1 matchpoint claimed the final spot in Flight B.

Smith and Warner won flight C by 1.37 matchpoints over Frances and James Simmons of Kingwood, the only non-Austin pair in the top 4. The latter pair was a board ahead of Mark McAllister and Laura Delfeld who were well ahead of the field.

The top two pairs in B and the top pair in A and C get their flight and hotel paid for to attend the Spring Nationals in Reno. Third in B and 2nd in A and C get transportation but no housing. The other three pairs, 3rd in A and C and 4th in B, will get a special casino Welcome Packet from the Reno Hilton.

I am happy to report that my home

Unit of San Antonio has provided an additional \$100 stipend for the first place player and a \$300 stipend for the player who qualified out of the money at third. In addition the San Antonio Unit always pays our entries in the District Finals. This is a great incentive to play in more meaningful events.

Players qualified in specially designated games at the club level and then competed in a Unit Final to determine who would go on to compete at the District Finals. The leading (usually 3-4) pairs in each Flight from each ACBL District will go on to compete in the Finals at the Spring Nationals in Reno in March. 95 pairs made it to the District Finals this year, compared to 94 last year. The attendance has improved from the 74 pairs that competed in 2000 when the event was held in Houston and which was matched in 2002 in San Antonio. The all time high was 134 in 1995. The 30 pairs in Flight A more than doubled the 2000 low of 14. Through most of the 90s' the totals were about 110-120 pairs.

The NAP always has some extra appeal. The field is much stronger and more consistent than your typical Regional pair events. Players are always competent, friendly and fair. I do not recall the last time a director was called at my table or any around me. Most of the Flight A players play regularly and you are always surrounded by friendly faces that will eagerly discuss the hands after the game. All the hands from the Finals were pre-dealt and each session results can be seen on the internet for careful perusal at <http://www.d16acbl.org/U207/sbruce/tourney/naop0401/naop0401.htm> As has become standard, Steve Bruce has done a fierce job reporting these results.

Good luck to all of our District 16 players in Reno! May you bring home lots of Platinum, Gold and Green!



Eddie Wold

By Chris Compton

District 16 star Eddie Wold, Houston, captured his 3rd Barry Crane Top 500 winning 3,098.29 Masterpoints during 2003. The Crane 500 was previously known as the McKinney Race, but was renamed for the race's perennial winner Barry Crane. It is awarded to the ACBL Member who wins the most Masterpoints in a calendar year. Wold played in 25 regionals, averaging 89 masterpoints per tournament. Additionally, Wold won 183.28, 189.89 and 361.94, at the Spring, Summer and Fall NABCs, respectively. Wold also found time to be a semifinalist in the U.S. Bridge Championships in June and a semifinalist in the Transnational Teams at the World Championships in Monte Carlo.

Wold cited long-time partners and District members George Rosenkranz, Mexico, Malcolm Brachman, Dallas, and Mike Passell, Plano, as essential to his year-long success. Passell was second in the Top 500 Race-winning 2,912 masterpoints.

The race looked likely to be close heading into the Fall NABC in New Orleans, but Wold won the Reisinger (200 masterpoints), to put the trophy out of the reach of his closest competitor at the time, Jeff Meckstroth, who finished 3rd in the race.

Here is an example of Wold's great table-feel in action from the year-end Reno Regional.

10xx	
AQ9x	
Jxx	
Qxx	
KQx	J9xxx
10xx	Kxx
xxx	Kx
10xxx	Kxx
Ax	
Jxx	
AQ10xx	
AJx	

Wold declared 3N as South after his opening bid of 1N was raised to 3N.



Mike Passell

West on lead took an inordinate amount of time before selecting the King of Spades opening lead. Wold allowed West to hold the trick as East followed with the 9. When West next continued with the Q of Spades Wold was forced to win the Ace. If you cover the East West hands, you can see that South seems to need the heart finesse and the diamond finesse because there are insufficient entries to the dummy to produce both the assumed necessary two diamond finesses, and also the club finesse. In other words, the heart finesse and then the diamond jack is the statistically best play coming to a rough 25% chance minus the chance of 5-0 diamonds with the king onside assuming that West might have spades. The questions then are: 1) why did Wold decide the spades were not 4-4, and, 2) how did Wold determine to take the winning club finesse for his 9th trick instead of the losing heart finesse for the same 9th trick. Answers: Wold read the Spades as not being 4-4 because of the long-time taken on opening lead by West, a mild inference that players often continue with their fourth best Spade from KQxx or the Jack from KQJx or KQJxx, and the fact that West would not necessarily flag the 9 of Spades from 9xxx in a situation where the 9 is commonly played as attitude. In order to determine which of the apparently likely heart and club finesses to take, Wold led the Jack of Hearts at trick 3 after winning the Space Ace. When West played low in tempo, Wold backed his world class table feel and went up with the dummy's Ace of Hearts. Wold then led a low diamond to his Queen, played the Ace of Diamonds and when the King fell doubleton onside, returned to the dummy with the Diamond Jack to take the successful club finesse onside. Great players have a finely tuned judgment on when to spurn the best percentage play – and Wold showed it clearly on this hand.

Congratulations to Wold and Passell for an incredible year of bridge!

District 16 Scorecard enters the 21st Century.

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Joe Musumeci (1921-2004)

By Bobby Wolff

Joe Musumeci was born in Brooklyn, NY on September 10, 1921. He left New York in the late 1930's to join the Air Force and marry Lucy. He accomplished both and was soon involved in World War II, when his first order of business was to go to Officer's Training School. He came out with his commission as 2nd Lieutenant and was sent to the European War zone where he learned to play bridge. After the war, he was stationed in San Antonio at Kelly AFB where he had achieved the rank of Major, but more importantly he had become a leader with the San Antonio Bridge League. He not only was one of the best players in town (along with Benny Fain and Harold Rockaway), he also served as President of the organization and was responsible for organizing most of the tournaments.

It was in the early 1950's that I first

A Tribute to Joe Musumeci

met Joe who soon became known to me as "Moose." He was everything to be proud of, a fine player, actively ethical (my role model for what that should be), loved the game and was always recruiting new players. After some time in San Antonio he was stationed in Formosa (now Taiwan). We kept in touch as I began serving a tour in the Army. In 1960, Joe (by this time a Lieutenant Colonel) called saying he was going to retire from SAC (Strategic Air Command) and was contemplating retiring in San Antonio if I was interested in opening a bridge club with him. I quickly said yes since bridge was slowly but surely taking over my life. We opened a bridge club in 1960. Two weeks later Lucy gave birth to their 3rd child, Joe, Jr. on September 14.

Eight years later, in February of 1968, I persuaded Moose to let me go to Dallas to join Ira Corn with his new project of forming the Aces. After saying goodbye, we would be reunited 6 months later when I suggested to Ira that Moose would be an ideal coach changing the coaching duties to disciplinarian from what it was before, theorist. It worked in spades because Moose provided what the team needed, less theory but more iron discipline which we had been sadly lacking up until then. Moose went on to be the coach of the winning Bermuda Bowl team (Dan Morse, Captain) in 1976, the first year

the legendary Italian Blue Team had been beaten. He then captained the US team to a thrilling victory in 1983 in Stockholm winning on the next to last hand (176 board match) when the great Giorgio Ballardonna and Bennito Garozzo had a mix up and reached a slam off two aces. Joe and Lucy stayed in Dallas with Moose effectively writing the Aces bridge column from its inception in 1970 until retiring in 2002.

Moose was my forever best friend. He was bright, witty, full of life and character, compassionate and loyal. He was a tremendously effective writer, excelling in clarity and brevity. Joe was worldly and yet never lost his attraction as a common man. He saw through phonies, was blessed with a wonderful wife, Lucy, who doubled as a gourmet cook and a loving mother and companion. They had three children, Mary Ann who died too young many years ago, Jim who teaches finance at Southern Illinois University, is a statistician, and plays a lot of good bridge, and Joe, Jr. who has made an enormous success as a chemical engineer.

If I was to count how many times I needed Joe's counsel to survive I would run out of fingers and toes. To count how much I will miss him will result in an underbid. My heart is with Lucy, Jim, and Joe, Jr. Bridge and the real world lost a worthwhile husband, a superior father and the world's best friend.

DISTRICT 16 AMERICAN CONTRACT BRIDGE LEAGUE OSWALD AND JAMES JACOBY SERVICE AWARD

TO: PRESIDENTS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ALL UNITS IN DISTRICT 16

RE: NOMINATIONS FOR THE OSWALD AND JAMES JACOBY SERVICE AWARD FOR 2004

Each year District 16 selects one member, from the many dedicated volunteers whose hard work supports the District, to receive the Oswald and James Jacoby Service Award. The *Scorecard* publishes a description of the guidelines for the award, and it can also be found on the District's internet page.

Every Unit is encouraged to nominate a special person in District 16 who has served diligently at the Unit level and who has risen to recognition at the District level for their outstanding service. Please send your nomination to the Jacoby Award Committee. Include a brief personal sketch and a description of the way the nominee has served his/her Unit and District 16. Nominations must be received by the Committee by July 1, 2004.

This year's award will be presented at the Dallas Regional on Saturday, September 4, before the evening session. Please keep your nomination a secret, as surprise is an important part of the Award presentation.

Feel free to call the Committee if you have any questions.

OSWALD AND JAMES JACOBY SERVICE AWARD COMMITTEE

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OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

Spring NABC (Reno, NV)	March 18-28
Cavendish (Las Vegas)	May 5-9
US Women's Bridge Championships (Trials-Raleigh)	May 25-June 1
US Bridge Championships (Trials-Memphis)	June 4-13
US Senior Bridge Championships (Trials-Las Vegas)	June 22-26
Summer NABC (New York, NY)	July 9-18



Ross Robbins
(1934-2004)

Ross Robbins, an avid bridge player and District 16 1st Vice President, died on January 6, 2004 of a heart attack.

Ross grew up in Indiana where he learned to play bridge from his parents. He graduated from Purdue University with a BS in chemical engineering. He then moved to Boulder Colorado and stayed there for approximately 30 years. He worked as an engineer for 15 years and then bought a moving company which he owned and operated for 16 years. He moved to the Rio Grande Valley in 1986 and resided there until his passing.

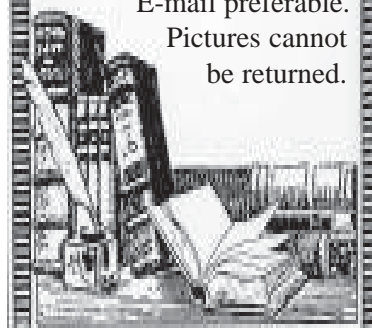
Over his lifetime his favorite activities included bridge, fishing, golf, investing, skiing, playing guitar, dancing, and attending church. Ross is survived by three children; Mark Robbins of Colorado, Jim Robbins of Montana, and Martine Shortle of Virginia. He is also survived by four grandchildren.

"He was a kind and forgiving man with a competitive spirit," says his daughter Martine. Ross will be missed by all in the bridge world.

DEADLINE for the May/June Issue

Advertising: April 1st
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April 6th

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be returned.



Unit 225
East Texas
Karol Rank



Sadly we report the death of two of our long time bridge players. Travis Roberts passed away on January 9th. Travis was the director of the Rose City DBC for 20 years and a past president of Unit 225. On January 31st Ken Owens died. Ken has been the director of the Rose City DBC until recently when his illness forced him to turn the management over to Raymond Derr. Both of these gentlemen had a love for the game of bridge and readily helped others to enjoy playing bridge. We sympathize with the families of Travis and Ken.

Have you thought about going to a Unit Game but didn't have a partner? Help is here. Call Brenda Baker for assistance if you are a life master, and call Marcille Kallerson if you are a non-life master. These ladies will help find partners and through their efforts we hope to encourage more people to play in the Unit Games.

Unit 225 will have a new special game this summer. On May 15th a Swiss Team Game will take place at the Bridge Studio in Gun Barrel City. As space is limited, reservations are necessary and should be handled through your local club. Here is a chance for a fun day of bridge including a nice lunch.

Congratulations to Marvin Ellis for becoming a Silver Life Master.

Checking the District 16 Website, www.d16acbl.org for the results of the Dallas "Super Bowl" Sectional at Richardson the following was found. Sylvere and Wilma Luguette placed 2nd in A section in the Friday Afternoon 199ers. Thomas Hainze, Jr. and team members Joe Freeman, Patricia Lozano and Bob Wilkins took 2nd place in Saturdays KO Bkt 3.

Nacogdoches DBC is the leader in 70% + games with three to report. Chris Dee and Gay Roach had a 70.83% game in December and a 84.03% game in January. The other game was a 73% by Aline Drawhorn and Betty Jackson. Others having excellent games are J.L. Allen and Lynn Walker with a 70% and Macile Turner and Bill Cantrell with 72.5%.

The Bridge Studio in Gun barrel City has a new game for players with 0 to 299 points. It is on Thursdays starting at 10:30am and is directed by Sandy Hilliard. Bring a sandwich.

We welcome new members: Sue Ritschel, Dee Gemmel, Mrs Rhonda McMullen, Frederick Williams and transferring member: Ms Genie B Yaffe.

Mark your calendars for the next two unit games. March 13th is a Charity Game and Dottie Pirkle will give a presentation on "Cue Bids" starting at noon. The April Unit Game is on the 10th and starts at 11:45am with a luncheon followed by the presentation of 2003 Mini-McKenney and Ace Of Clubs Award. Also be sure you have marked the 9th, 10th and 11th of July on your calendars for the TYLER TOURNAMENT OF ROSES.

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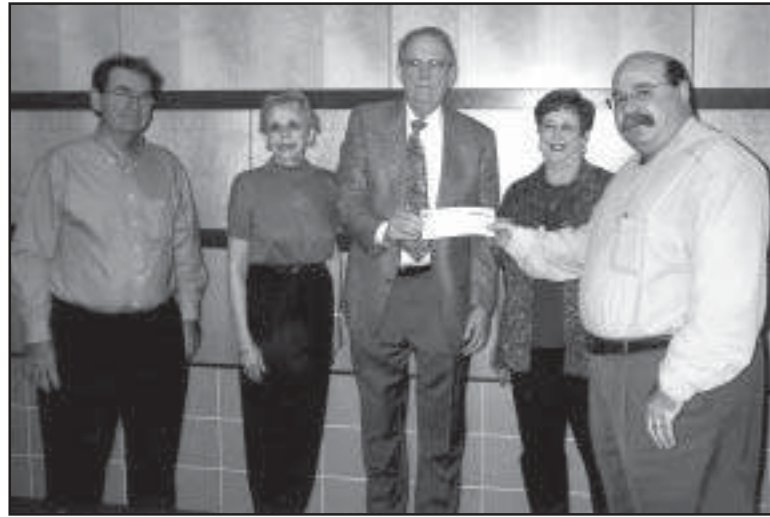
District 16 Donates \$1,000 to Shrine Hospital for Children

By Beverly Wuntch

Every year, ACBL District Directors are given the opportunity to choose one charity in his/her District to be the recipient of a \$1000.00 check. This year, District 16 Director, Dan Morse, presented a check for \$1000.00 to the Shrine Hospital for Children.

Administrator, Steve Reiter, accepted the donation and expressed his gratitude. Dan was accompanied by Unit 174 President, Lou Levy, Board Members Jolie Hess, Beverly Wuntch and Unit 174 photographer, Bruce Slomka.

22 Shriner hospitals are dedicated to providing expert specialized care to children under the age of eighteen. There is no charge to the child's family and no insurance money or government funds are sought or accepted. Shriner hospitals are actively involved in orthopedic and burn research and have been pioneers in the most advanced techniques for the treatment of orthopedic problems and severe burns.



Dan Morse present a \$1,000 check to Shrine Hospital for Children Administrator, Steve Reiter. Dan was accompanied by Unit 174 President, Lou Levy, and Board Members, Jolie Hess and Beverly Wuntch,

If you know a youngster that Shriners hospitals can help or for more information, the toll free number is 1.800.237.5055. Or you can visit Shriner Hospital's website at <http://www.shrinershq.org>

2nd Place NAP Finishers Heading to Reno



NAP Flt A 2nd
Nancy & Stephen Kornegay



Nap Flt B 2nd
Bob Scallan-Suresh Agrawal



NAP Flt C 2nd
Frances & James Simmons

District NAP Finals January 3-4, 2004
Flt A 1. David Hadden-Alex Kolesnik 2. Stephen Kornegay- Nancy Kornegay 3. Mark Bumgardner-Justin Lall
Flt B 1. Mike Doyle-Jamie Bass 2. Bob Scallan-Suresh Agrawal 3. Michael Hout-John Hampton
Flt C 1. Larry Smith-David Warner 2. Frances Simmons-James Simmons 3. Mark McCallister-Laura Delfeld.

OSWALD & JAMES JACOBY SERVICE AWARD

Description of the Award Guidelines for Nominations, Selection Committee and Presentation Ceremony

1. The Oswald & James Jacoby Service Award ("the Award") shall be presented once annually at the Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Tournament held in the fall.
2. The Award shall be presented by Judy Jacoby. If for any reason she is unable to make the presentation, the Jacoby Service Award Committee ("the Committee") shall select a person to make the presentation.
3. The Award shall be presented just prior to the commencement of play of the second session of the game held on Saturday. If play is held in more than one location, a presentation ceremony shall be held in each location. Presentation of the Award shall be shown on the printed schedule of the tournament. Sufficient time for the presentation(s) shall be allowed by the Director in charge of the tournament.
4. The identity of the recipient of the Award shall be kept secret until that person's name is announced by the presenter during the presentation ceremony. Members of the Committee shall take every precaution to insure confidentiality from commencement of the selection process until the presentation of the Award.
5. Each Unit within District 16 may, but need not, nominate a person whom it considers to be a suitable recipient of the Award. Only persons nominated by a Unit may be considered by the Committee. A Unit may nominate only one person, who need not be member of that of that Unit, and who shall be a member in good standing of the ACBL, resident within District 16. A Unit may nominate a person for more than one year. A person who has received the Award in a prior year is not eligible for nomination. No member of the Committee shall participate in the nomination process at the Unit level; one who inadvertently does so shall be disqualified to participate in the screening and selection process of the Committee.
6. The Committee and its Chair shall be appointed by the President of the District at the annual meeting held during the Lone Star Regional tournament in Houston at the beginning of each calendar year. Each member of the Committee shall be a recipient of the Award for a prior year. The Committee shall meet at a time of its own choosing to review nominations currently received and nominations on file, and select one nominee as recipient of the Award. Normally the Committee will choose to meet during the July Regional tournament. The Committee may screen nominees by a process which it deems appropriate in order to determine that each nominee is in fact qualified to receive the Award. The method, screening and selection process shall not be discussed by members of the Committee except among themselves. The Committee shall retain nominations on file for a reasonable time, normally not more than five years.
7. A recipient of the Award shall be a volunteer who has worked diligently at the Unit level and who has risen to recognition at the District level after many years of outstanding service. Receipt of nominal compensation for burdensome tasks does not automatically classify a person as a non-volunteer. The Committee shall determine the volunteer status of each nominee during its screening process.
8. The Chair of the Committee shall notify each Unit each March of the opportunity to nominate a recipient of the Award for that year. Such notification may be by letter or by publishing the notice in the Scorecard. The notice to the Units should outline the qualifications which the Unit should keep in mind in making its nomination and should stress the need for confidentiality. Nomination by the Unit must be received by the Committee by July 1 of each year.
9. The Committee shall maintain a record of all recipients of the Award.



Billie McMahan
Fort Worth



Raj Nayar
San Antonio

DISTRICT 16 NEW LIFE MASTERS

Life Masters

Odette Amyx, Houston; Betty Baxter, Odessa; C. E. Brower, Jr., Tomball; Bob Butterfield, Dallas; Jim Chaffee, Ft. Worth; A. Richard Devaul, College Station; Cheryl Evans, Houston; Neva Green, Big Spring; Barbara Harberg, Houston; Bob Lester, Houston; Margaret Lowry, Pampa; Patricia McDaniel, Missouri City; Billie McMahan, Ft. Worth; Katherine Moore, Houston; Raj Nayar, San Antonio; John Taylor, Lago Vista; Terri Tedford, Odessa; Marie Watson, Dumas; Ray Whitmire, Corpus Christi.

(10,000 MP's)

Ed Groner, Houston

Diamond Life Master

(5,000 MP's)

Nagy Kamel, Plano.

Gold Life Master

(2,500 MP's)

Lynn Baker, Austin; Mrs. F. Harari, MX; James McFountain, Temple; Paul Nimmons, Houston.

Silver Life Master

(1,000 MP's)

Jane Armstrong, Sugar Land; Sally Armstrong, San Antonio; Martha DeCou, Corpus Christi; Frances Duval, Lubbock; Carl Ellis, Midland; Marvin Ellis, Tyler; Fred Feigley, Houston; Janice Henderson, Houston; Joyce Elaine Klein, Houston; Keith McCall, Euless; Mary McManus, Houston; Louis Sachar, Austin; K. P. Voges, Converse.

Bronze Life Master

(500 MP's)

Lorraine Brown, Beaumont; Joanna Cadden, Austin; Joy Cogburn, Bertram; Peter Grenier, Dallas; Virginia Hamm, Kerrville; Edward Higgins, Center Point; Roy Marsh, The Woodlands; William Nickles, Kerrville; Florabel Tisdell, Plainview.

Other Achievers (500 MP's)

Margaret Hanneman, Rosenberg; Sally Luttrell, Lubbock.

New Life Masters

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Dan Morse Hits 15,000 Masterpoints

Peggy Sutherlin Tops 10,000; Becomes Grand Life Master



Dan Morse
Houston



Peggy Sutherlin
Dallas

By Chris Compton

Two District 16 members reached significant Masterpoint Milestones recently. Dan Morse of Houston reached 15,000 Masterpoints while Peggy Sutherlin of Dallas became our most recent Grand Lifemaster reaching 10,000. Just as impressive as their respective bridge accomplishments, both Dan and Peggy have made significant contributions as bridge administrators serving in a multitude of volunteer capacities.

Dan, a pharmacist owner and operator, is the reigning Bronze Medalist from the 2003 Bermuda Bowl, won the 2000 World Senior Champion 10 times, is a 10 time NABC champion (including Vanderbilt, Spingold, Reisinger, and Grand National Teams) and served at least 7 gold medal winning US teams in the capacity of non-playing captain.

As a bridge administrator, Morse has represented D16 on the ACBL Board

of Directors since 1993, serves on the World Bridge Federation Council, and on the United State Bridge Federation Board of Directors.

Peggy is retired from American Airlines where her career included service as vice-president of the Flight attendant's union. As to bridge, Peggy won a gold medal in the 2000 Women's Team Olympiad and has seven NABC titles to her credit.

On the administrative side, Peggy serves as a member of the ACBL Laws Commission and on the ACBL Competition and Convention Committee. In the past, Peggy has served on the ethical oversight committee and as co-chair of the Nationals Appeals Committee.

From the point of view of the District, we are lucky to have Dan and Peggy to represent us nationally and globally. As competitors, we are also lucky to have Peggy and Dan set such a high standard of table deportment.

Unit 174
Houston

Anne Page



Thanks to Arlene Weingarten announcing the error in the e-list newsletter she publishes for the Unit and providing a link to the Unit's website, some of you have probably read my column that was omitted from the last Scorecard by accidentally being overwritten by the San Antonio Unit's column which appeared twice in that issue. If you did, then just skip over the first 4 paragraphs because you've already seen them. (Sorry, everyone else, but that's all that's left of the omitted column after deleting items about then upcoming events which are now past history and merging new names into last time's lists of masterpoint achievers and deceased players.)

Attendance at the Halloween Sectional was a noteworthy 480 tables! Just as noteworthy was the "take down" at its end. Tournament chairperson Betty Freedman said in Arlene Weingarten's e-mail Unit Newsletter: "You may not realize it, but one of our jobs is to 'take the room down' after the tournament, which means we have to take down the tables and chairs, pack up all the supplies and leave the room the way we found it. This was done in a record-breaking 15 minutes, no small feat."

Unit Board News: Joyce Ryan accepted appointment as Education Chairman replacing Claudette Roush who had resigned.

The 2004 Nominating Committee's slate of candidates for the Unit 174 is Marsha Bernstein, Wilma Booth, Bobbi Kauffman, John Lindsey, Matthew Rawson and Bill St. Clair.

Thanks to Toni Snow for this tale. She was loitering near Wayne Oden's beginner class at Bridge & Games Stu-

dio while waiting to move to her next table. He had stepped away, and the very new novices were halfway through playing a hand. Suddenly the declarer paused, glanced at Toni, and asked, "Do I have to keep playing since I'm already down?"

Speaking of novices, here's an important announcement from Lenny Roberts: "Very new in our Unit 174 is a 'Buddy System' as suggested by Sally Wheeler. These are experts who have volunteered to have a maximum of 5 Email Buddies each. Email Buddies can send email questions on declarer play, defense, bidding and ethics. Anyone who wants an Email Buddy (also one Phone Buddy) should contact Lenny Roberts (lennyroberts@sbcglobal.net). It will give newer players a window into good bridge, in most cases not available to them. The experts welcome their queries."

Also, -and this is for experienced as well as novice players-Lenny advises that he has resumed the 20 Minute Lecture Series on (most) Saturday afternoons at the Bridge & Games Studio. The lecture starts promptly at 12:30 p.m. and ends 10 minutes before game time. There are well over 100 topics of most conventions, treatment and other concerns. All are welcome; handouts are available.

Best wishes to Martha Sanders for whom wedding bells ring this Valentine's Day. If he's not a bridge player, I bet he soon will be!

Congratulations to these recent Life Masters and Masterpoint Achievers for their accomplishments: New Life Masters (300 MPs): Odette Amyx, C. E. Brower, Jr., A. Richard Devaul, Cheryl Evans, Barbara Harberg, Marisa Grossi, Bob Lester, Patricia McDaniel, Marcia Modesett, Katherine Moore, Betty Spindle, John Taylor, Mark Waller. Non-Life Master Milestone (500 MPs): Bela Borsos, Margaret

Hanneman, Giovanna Spiker. Bronze Life Masters (500 MPs): Joyce Booth, Sadhana Dalal, Pamela Dettmers, Elizabeth Ghrist, Siraj Jiwani, Robert Johnson, William Van Dame. Silver Life Masters (1,000 MPs): Jane Armstrong, Fred Feigley, Janice Henderson, Joyce Elaine Klein, Mary McManus, Atsuko Nakamura, Mrs. V. S. Sekac. Gold Life Masters (2,500 MPs): George Fox, Paul Nimmons, Hank Schroder.

Congratulations to Ed Groner for having achieved the 10,000 MP level. When he wins a North American championship we'll have another GLM in our Unit. Go get it, Ed!

More congratulations to Dan Morse for reaching the 15,000 MP plateau at the November 2003 NABC in New Orleans.

And let's give a round of applause to novices Howard and Jane Lindsey for "doing us proud" in New Orleans. Playing exclusively in the NABC I/N games, they emerged as 1st Pair meaning their total masterpoints for the week was the highest in the field of 800 I/N players!

According to ACBL's year-end reports, as of December 31, 2003, our Unit 174 had 2,270 members. We gained 226 new members, and 190 left (deaths, moves, etc.), so we had a gain of 1.07% for 2003 which I consider very good in an era when many units around the country are struggling. Also, measuring over a 3 year period, ACBL finds that we have a 52.02% retention rate for new members and that our average membership has been in the Unit for at least 12 years! We are considered a "young unit" because our average age (64.52) is more than 2 years younger than the ACBL average (66.76).

Sympathy to grieving players Marsha Bernstein (stepfather), Jan Parkinson (husband), and Julio Gonzales (wife), and condolences to all who mourn the recent deaths of these members of our bridge community: Anita S. Baker,

Mayme "Mickey" Burriss, Eileen B. Demme, Mary Gonzales Carl Parkinson, J. Allan Lake, Dixie D. Metz, and former Houston resident Bill Granberry.

Welcome back to Dottie Ann Goodloe, Jolie Hess, Charlie Markowitz, Shatrugna Presad, and Linda Sutton who were recovering from ailments or injuries.

And, although she's been playing in our clubs and tournaments a few times a year for a long time, let's give a warm welcome to Shirley Hooks who will be transferring to our Unit now that she has moved to Houston. Alabama's loss is definitely our gain!

Great success came to two of our Unit's pairs who competed in the District NAOPs at the Austin tournament in January. Mike Doyle and Jamie Bass, who won 1st Place in Flight B, will get free hotel and airfare, and Frances and James Simmons, who were 2nd Place in Flight C, will get free airfare when they go to Reno to compete in the annual North American Open Pairs at the 2004 Nationals. And terrific novice news from that weekend is that Paul and Millicent Wear won every Sectional 199er game. Congratulations to all!

Don't forget that every dues-paid member of Unit 174 in good standing may vote in the Board of Directors election during the April Houston Sectional. If you know you won't be attending and want to vote, send a SIGNED request for an official absentee ballot to Dale Crumbaugh and Natalie Greene, our Election Judges, at 32 Villa Bend Drive, Houston, TX 77069. It must be in an envelope with your address of record on it and have a stamped, self-addressed return envelope enclosed for the ballot to be mailed to you.

If you have news to share, please e-mail page@ev1.net or leave a detailed message at 281.442.1509 or 713.628.2740.

Unit 209
Permian Basin

Jimmie Penn

We ate our way into OSFA during '03 holiday time—many parties enjoyed by all! A bumper crop of Life Masters were welcomed—Dorothy Brenneman, Betty Baxter, Neva Green, Nancy Liberty, Marilyn Matthews, Marsha Swanson, and Terri Tedford.

Monthly birthday parties were well attended—FREE PLAY was the treat for each plus a serving of cake for all—Ann Servatius is our resident baker of a variety of tasty (calorie free) cakes. We're having a repeat performance—come join us.

Belle Harris is duplicating a group of newcomers to duplicate bridge on Thursday evenings—it has taken on a PRO-AM theme!

A friendly face of the past joined us at an Odessa party—Jeannette (Phillips) Mehaffey—along with another oldie-goldie Ed Ryan—remember?? Ed has been playing a while, but this was Jeannette's second time at duplicate in 20+ years—welcome!

2004 kicked off with Odessans hosting a 19 table LM party honoring Terri Tedford-covered dish affair was held at Allison Bridge Center in Midland—winners in Strats A, B, and C were Martha Poss-Sally Whiteley, Belle Harris-Ann Parish, Kathryn Gesell-Barbara Steinert, Mary Hammond-Gloria Crites and the Russells of Big Spring.

We are looking forward to seeing Mary Renton, Ken Hill, and Vangie Lindsey back at the bridge table!

The Scorecard staff would like to thank Kathryn Locke for her time as Unit 209 Columnist and welcome Jimmie to the Staff!



Houston Election Sectional

April 2 - 4, 2004

The Arabia Shrine Temple, 2900 North Braeswood Blvd.



Intermediate/Newcomer Events

Friday, April 2

Stratified 299er Pairs 1:30 pm
Stratified 49ers 1:30 pm
Stratified 299er Pairs 7:30 pm
Stratified 49ers 7:30 pm

Saturday, April 3

Stratified 299er Pairs 1:30 pm
Stratified 49ers 1:30 pm
0-5 Pairs (Free) 1:30 pm
Stratified 299er Pairs 7:30 pm
Stratified 49ers 7:30 pm

Sunday, April 4

299er Swiss 10:30 & TBA
Plays as Strat D of the Strati-Flighted Swiss
Stratified 299er Pairs 10:30 & TBA

Stratified Intermediate Novice Events

299ers: A = 200-300; B = 100-200 C = 0-100
49ers: 0-50



Reduced
Entry Fee
\$8.00

Main Events

Friday, April 2

International Fund Stratified Pairs 1:30 pm
Lots of points, no extra entry fee
Stratified Pairs 7:30 pm
Bracketed KO Session 1 7:30 pm

Saturday, April 3

Bracketed KO Session 2 9:00 am
Stratified Prs (choice of 2)* 9, 1:30, 7:30 pm
Bracketed KO Session 3 1:30 pm
Bracketed KO Session 4 7:30 pm

Sunday, April 4

Strati-Flighted Swiss 10:30 & TBA
Stratified Pairs 10:30 & TBA

Stratified Events: A = 1500+;
B = 500-1500; C = 0-500

Strati-Flighted Event: A = 3000+;
AX = 0-3000; B = 750-1500;
C = 300-750; D = 0-300

A & AX play together; B, C & D play together

* = Play in any 2 sessions and you can compete for overall awards.

Host Hotel

Wellesley Inn & Suites
1301 S. Braeswood Blvd.
713.794.0800
\$59 Single; \$69 Double
Shuttle service available

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FREE Parking

FREE meal on Sunday.

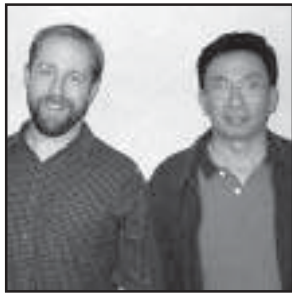
Austin January Sectional, January 1-4, 2004



Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs ABC
Henry Irvin & Harvey Browning



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A
George Pisk & Michael Huston



Thurs & Fri Eve Strat Open Prs B
Mike Doyle & Vinh Tran



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs C
Virginia Sherman & Claybourne Waldrop



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A
Elizabeth & Paul Tobias



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs C
Janet & David Borg



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A
Sylvia Ferris & Dee Stearns



Sat Strat Open Prs A
Paul Tobias & Geoff Blandy



Sat Strat Open Prs BC
Karur Krishnan & Manesh Maruvada



Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt I
Rita Shackelford & Sandra Davis
Jeanette Hughes & Inger Blount



Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt I
Joel Watkins & Joe Nance
Billie Watkins & Barbara Nance



Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Lewis Brescoll & Kurt Brescoll
Zachary Brescoll & Janet Adams



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams A
Joan Jackson & Mildred Breed
Norman Beck & Bill Erwin



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams X
Lois Goodman & Claudette Hartman
Louis Sachar & Marilou Powell



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams B
Elizabeth McPherson & Dorothy Bedford
Bubba Perlman & Marilyn Arnold



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams C
Susie Willerson & Jane Maclin
Barbara Altgelt & Jane Bowers



Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Jim Greeney & M. Damon
Nick Jong & Jeff Ford
Greeney & Damon also won
Sat Aft 199er Prs A



Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt III
George Suman & Paul Wear
Betty Suman & Millicent Wear
Paul & Millicent also won
Fri Aft & Eve 199er Prs A

New Date/Location for Championship Flight GNT



Austin Spring Sectional May 13-16, 2004

Thursday, May 13

Bracketed KO Teams I 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified 199er Pairs, single sessions 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Friday, May 14

Bracketed KO Teams II 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified 199er Pairs, single sessions 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Saturday, May 15

Bracketed KO Teams III 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs, 2 sessions 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified 199er Pairs, single sessions 1:30 & 7:30 pm

GNT Championship Flight 1:30 & 7:30 pm
\$80/Team Players must register at game site by 1:15 pm
Please send captain's name, address & phone number
to Sandy Campbell 214.766.2571

Sunday, May 16

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams 10:00 am & TBA
GNT Championship Flight 10:00 am & TBA
(*1, 2 or 3 sessions as needed)

Stratifications

Open Pairs: A: 1500+, B: 500-1500, C: 0-500
199er Pairs: A: 100-200, B: 50-100, C: 0-50
Teams: A: 3000+, X: 0-3000,
B: 750-1500, C: 300-750, D: 0-300

Meal served between sessions on Sunday
General Convention Chart only except A/X Swiss Teams
Non Smoking with Breaks

Clarion Inn & Suites

2220 IH 35, Austin, TX 78744 512-444-0561
Reservations 800-434-7378 Bridge rate \$69. Free parking.

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Entry Fees

Thursday, Friday & Saturday:
\$9/member/session, \$10/nonmember/session
Sunday: \$10/member/session, \$11/nonmember/session

Results: Austin Sectional

Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A1.B1.C1. Henry Irvin, Jr.-Harvey Browning A2.B2. Mike Doyle-Vinh Tran C2. Larry Smith-David Warner.

Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A1. George Pisk-Michael Huston A2.B1. Mike Doyle-Vinh Tran B2.C1. Claybourne Waldrop, Jr.-Virginia Sherman C2. Bonnie Kay Yetter-Edward Yetter.

Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1. Inger Lise Blount-Rita Shackelford-Jeanette Hughes-Sandra Davis 2. Robert McGill-Carol Ann McGill-Ken Brantferger-Murat Ocalan **Bkt II 1.** Jeff Ford-Nick Jong-M. Damon-Jim Greeney 2. Mary Adams-Rolinda Brindley-Charlynn Casey-Suzanne Guess.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Paul Tobias-Elizabeth Tobias A2. Edward Groner-David Horner B1. Mike Doyle-Vinh Tran B2.C1. David Borg-Janet Borg C2. Alan Laverty-Robert Pruiett.

Fri Aft Strat 199er Prs A1. Millicent Wear-Paul Wear A2.B1. Helen Nelson-Linda Madding B2/3. Stuart Litwin-Sandra Litwin B2/3.C1. Gary Fox-Kay Fox C2. Richard Ryan-Ruby Handcox.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Dee Stearns-Sylvia Ferris A2. Gerrie Owen-Ann Roberts B1. Mike Doyle-Vinh

Tran B2. Gloria Helm-Truett Cates C1. Stan Bowen-Diana Rogers C2. Adam Ruprecht-Zachery Loafman.

Fri Eve Strat 199er Prs A1. Millicent Wear-Paul Wear A2.B1.C1. Gary Fox-Kay Fox B2. Helen Nelson-Linda Madding C2. Dee Coats-Alfred Coats.

Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1. Joe Nance-Barbara Nance-Joel Watkins-Billie Watkins 2. Judy Hitt-Lee Ann Merrifield-Linda Neuenschwander-Jacqueline Fiegel **Bkt II 1.** Janet Adams-Kurt Brescoll-Zachary Brescoll-Lewis Brescoll 2. Eugene Cavanaugh-Dianne Ebert-Carol Nelson-Robert Pflugbell **Bkt III 1.** Millicent Wear-George Suman-Paul Wear-Betty Lou Suman. 2. Steven Tuggle-Bob Lester-James Montz-Karen Alvarado.

Sat Strat Open Prs A1. Paul Tobias-Geoff Blandy A2. Stephen Bruce-George Pisk B1.C1. Karur Krishnan-Manesh Maruvada B2. John McConnell-Carol McConnell C2. Adam Ruprecht-Zachery Loafman.

Sat Aft Strat 199er Prs A1. Jim Greeney-M. Damon A2. Lorraine Little-Diane Dillman B1.C1. Gary Cox-Kay Cox C2/3. Helen Corey-Duane Corey C2/3. Alfred Coats-Dee Coats.

Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams A/X

Unit 183 Fort Worth Kay Jones



The Board of Directors for 2004 consists of Steve Shirey, President; Millie Williams, Vice-President; Kay Jones, Secretary; Mary Hogar, Treasurer; J'neane Huey; Tom Hughes, Byron Taylor, Henry Weltman and Judy Staser. Let these people know of any problems-they are here to help.

In the spotlight this month is someone everyone recognizes: the lady with the coordinated clothes, matching jewelry and (depending on her outfit) the big round or square glasses-Joyce Journey. This may come as a surprise to many (because, of course, she doesn't act like it!) but Joyce was an only child and grandchild AND she was born in Texas. Her father worked in the steel business and they moved all over the United States ending up in Minnesota

where Joyce graduated from high school at age 15. Her parents sent her to TSCW, an all girls school (now known as TWU) in Denton from which she graduated at age 18, married Jack at age 19 and had her first of two sons at age 20. She and Jack have been married 57 years and have lived all their married life in Tarrant County and 45 of those years in Arlington. Although she professes she disliked all the moving as a child, she has continued the pattern-she has traveled to over 28 countries, visited Omar Sharif's bridge club in Cairo, Egypt, used bidding boxes for the first time in Costa Rica, played at the Washington, D.C. duplicate club which was in the State Department Building and has played in Bermuda three times!

Joyce watched her parents play auction bridge when she was young but she started playing bridge herself while in college. She started playing duplicate bridge 32 years ago and became a life master 18 years ago. During one



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams D
Stan Bowen & Diana Rogers
Clint Schuhmacher & Hal DeShong
Stan & Diana also won
Fri Eve Strat Open Prs C

A1. Bill Erwin-Mildred Breed-Norman Beck-Joan Jackson A2. Linda Spangler-Pat Cassidy-Roy Baughman-Thomas Hughes, Jr. X1. Louis Sachar-Lois Goodman-Claudette Hartman-Marilou Powell X2. Dee Berg-Hai Gates-Ron Nordgren-Wolf Schroeter **Strati B/C/DB1.** Marilyn Arnold-Bubba Perlman-Dorothy Bedford-Elizabeth McPherson B2.C1. Susie Willerson-Jane Bowers-Barbara Altgelt-Jane Maclin C2. Donna Livingston-Harriet Bowles-Robert Foster-Robert Marcott D1. Hal DeShong-Stanley Bowen-Diana Rogers-Clint Schuhmacher D2. Jim Greeney-M. Damon-Dottie Hanks-Jean Townsend.

year, she was President of the Arlington Women's Club, the Women's Golf Club and a Dance Club until she decided that being an "Indian" was more fun that being a "Chief." While President of the Arlington Women's Club she introduced duplicate bridge and they have a thriving duplicate bridge group to this day.

Partners of Joyce speak very highly of her playing ability as well as her personal strength in her private life. Some of her partners include Ann Lidiak, Eileen Wedding, Sue Boosa, Karen Fallman, Doris Wood and Liz Smedley. One of the fond memories Joyce has is of the last game she played with Joan Long when they came in first place the afternoon before Joan unexpectedly died that night. Joyce and her husband were also great friends with Marge Bodzy who attended school with Jack. She is a great asset to the Fort Worth and Arlington Bridge Clubs and is a welcome sight wherever she plays.

Richardson Souper Bowl Sectional, January 29-February 1, 2004



Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A
Tarek Radjef & (NP) John Fisher



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs AB
Bob Scallan & Suresh Agrawal



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs C
Cissy Brown & Joan Slaughter



Thurs Eve Strat 199er Prs AB
Bonnie Barker & Phyllis Savell



Thurs Eve Strat 199er Prs C
Alma Farley & Robert Clarke



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A
Michael Dalton & Preston Morrow



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs B
Eva Dawkins & Suzanne Hailstone



Fri Aft Strat 199er Prs A
Diane Hoksbergen & Katye Kowierschke



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A
Neal Pearlman & J. Bagwell



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs C
Edward Greene & Ken McConnell



Fri Eve Strat 199er Prs AB
Adele Hudgins & Lue Waddle



Sat Aft Strat Open Prs A
Grace Hunt & Nancy Passell



Sat Strati-Fltd Open Prs B
Candy Smith & Marjorie Kidd



Sat Aft Strati-Fltd Open Prs C
Bonnie & Ed Yetter



Sat Aft Strat 199er Prs A
Freddie O'Bannon & Margaret Boatright



Sat Aft Strat 199er Prs BC
Kay & Cary Jennings



Sat Eve Strat Open Prs AB
Catherine Cox & Sheryl Overman



Sat Eve Strat Open Prs C
Rolly Steen & Jim Harp



Sat Eve Strat 199er Prs A
Bonnie Shea & Daralynn Cameron



Sat Eve Strat 199er Prs BC
Kenneth Bickelhaupt & Emily Ray



Thurs Aft, Fri & Sat Aft
Fri Eve Strat 199er Prs C
Buddy Eldredge & Kenneth Price



Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt I
Joan Jackson & Petra Hamman
Norman Beck & Nancy Passell



Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt III
Byron Taylor & Bill Welsh
Tony Eckman & Bryan Morgan



Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt IV
Virginia Sherman & Clay Waldrop
Bonnie & Ed Yetter



Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt V
Patsy Robinson & Barbara Best
Mary Jones & Gloria Skipworth



Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt I
Bill Staats & Nagy Kamel
Alex Kolesnik & Greg Hinze



Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt III
Nancy Stanton & Nell Velvin
Mamie Stafford & Beth Coker



Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt IV
Marcia Varel & Joanna Kaspar
Milton Aston & Carol Nicoud



Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt V
Karen Vlach & Martha Landis
Frank Vlach & Roger Arockiam



Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt VI
Tinnie Barnett & Denise Conner
Beverly Laster & Lynell Pinion



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams X
Stewart Angel & Jonathan Ernest
John Davies & Jim Bauer



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams BC
Lynn Dellangelo & Jan Fisher
Marlene Round & Marianne Keitel



Sun Strat 199er Swiss Teams AB
Bonnie Arnold & Tommie Anglemyer
Shyanne Merritt & Sandra Fedro



Fri & Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Murray Berger, Jack Borenstein, Aslam
Anasari, Kevin Podsiadlik & Jim Clark

Sat Aft Strat 199er Prs A1. Freddie O'Bannon-Margaret Boatright A2. Frances Townsley-Christine Best B1.C1. Kay Jennings-Cary Jennings B2/4. Edward Boenker-John Blacklock B2/4.C.2/3. Judy Mays-Helen Skiles B2/4.C2/3. Shirley Utley-Linda Bellissimo

Sat Aft 0-20 Prs 1. Gay Emery-Joy West 2. Robert Seifert-Joyce Seifert.

Sat Aft 0-5 Prs 1. Barbara Bradfield-David Luzzatto 2. Tina Epstein-Sally Wolfish.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Cheryl Overman-Catherine Cox A2.B2. Tim Green, Jr.-Ruth Srulavitch C1. Jim Harp-Rolly Steen C2. Jim Chaffee-Larry Howell.

Sat Eve Strat 199er Prs A1. Daralynn Cameron-Bonnie Shea A2.B1.C1. Kenneth Bickelhaupt-Emily Ray B2. Kate Wickham-John Wickham C2. Carole Mulligan-Mike Mulligan.

Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams A1. Petra Hamman-Bob Hamman-Justin Lall-Hemant Lall. A2. Derrell Childs-Bryan Storey-John Bromberg-Beth Bromberg X1. James Bauer-John Davies-Stewart Angel-Jonathan Ernest B1.C1. Marlene Round-Janice Fisher-Marianne Keitel-Lynn Dellangelo B2. Truett Cates-George Trenholm, Jr.-Raymond Clark-Jack Carter C2. Bob Butterfield-Patricia Rose-Marion Billings-James Esker.

Sun Strat 199er Swiss Teams A1.B1. Sandra Fedro-Shyanne Merritt-Bonnie Arnold-Tommie Anglemyer A2. Patricia George-Judy Harrell-Pauline James-Gay Czikora.

Results: Richardson Sectional

Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1. Joan Jackson-Norman Beck-Petra Hamman-Nancy Passell 2. Alexander Kolesnik-Hugh Hillaker-Roy Baughman-Jerry Derby **Bkt II** 1. Jack Borenstein-Murray Berger-M. Aslam Anasari-Kevin Podsiadlik-Jim Clark 2. Willie Bumgardner-Linton Bassett-Randolph & Helen Worsham **Bkt III** 1. Bryan Morgan-William Welsh-Byron Taylor-Anthony Eckman 2. Marcia Joy Varel-Milton Aston-Joanna Kaspar-Carol Nicoud **Bkt IV** 1. Clay Waldrop-Bonnie & Edward Yetter-Virginia Sherman 2. Tim Green, Jr.-Ruth Srulavitch-David Reynolds-Carmen Fish **Bkt V** 1. Mary Jones-G. Skipworth-Barbara Best-Patsy Robinson 2. Shay Ura-Bob Ingelbritson-Margaret King-Ivanette Dennis.

Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Tarek Radjef-John Fisher A2.B1. Joyce Stone-Jane Hopkins B2. Thomas Williams-

James Moody C1. Bob Butterfield-James Esker C2. Larry Howell-Jim Chafee.

Thurs Aft Strat 199er Prs A1.B1. Mehmood Kizitbash-Sajid Husain A2.B2. Lue Waddle-Adele Hudgins C1. Buddy Eldredge-Kenneth Price C2. Virginia Stockard-Nita Motsenbocker.

Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Bob Scallan-Suresh Agrawal A2.B2. Eileen Smith-James McCommons C1. Cissy Brown-Joan Slaughter C2. Mark Shekter-Jim Farmer.

Thurs Eve Strat 199er Prs A1.B1. Bonnie Barker-Phyllis Savell A2. Cecil Parsons-Christopher Hayes B2.C1. Robert Clarke-Alma Farley C2. Mike Mulligan-Carole Mulligan.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Michael Dalton-Preston Morrow A2. Johanna Pietsch-Helen Boutelle B1. Eva Pharr Dawkins-Suzanne Hailstone B2. Thomas Williams-James Moody C1. Barbara Thomson-Jimmy Lambert C2. William

Garrard, Jr.-Donna Garrard.

Fri Aft Strat 199er Prs A1. Katye Kowierschke-Diane Hoksbergen A2.B1. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette B2. Lue Waddle-Adele Hudgins C1/2. Buddy Eldredge-Kenneth Price C1/2. Susan Flick-Carla Guthrie.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Neal Perlman-J. Bagwell A2. Sidney Lazard-Bart Bramley B2. Steven & Sara Kastner C1. Edward Greene-Ken McConnell C2. Jacque Waghorne-Joe Howard.

Fri Eve Strat 199er Prs A1.B1. Lue Waddle-Adele Hudgins A2. Frances Townsley-Christine Best B2.C1. Buddy Eldredge-Kenneth Price C2. Rob Preece-Therese Milford.

Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1. Greg Hinze-Bill Staats-Nagy Kamel-Alexander Kolesnik 2. Petra & Bob Hamman-Justin Lall-Hemant Lall **Bkt II** 1. Jack Borenstein-Murray Berger-M. Aslam Anasari-Kevin Podsiadlik-Jim Clark 2.

Carolyn Pinto-Billy Leeper-Gerry McKim-James Thurtell **Bkt III** 1. Nancy Stanton-Beth Coker-Nell Velvin-Mamie Stafford 2. Joe Freeman-Patricia Lozano-Thomas Hainze, Jr.-Bob Wilkin **Bkt IV** 1. Marcia Joy Varel-Joanna Kaspar-Carol Nicoud-Milton Aston 2. Janet Adams-Kurt Brescoll-Zachary Brescoll-Lewis Brescoll. **Bkt V** 1. Martha Landis-Roger Arockiam-Frank Vlach-Karen Vlach 2. Ann Tolle-Harry Desai-Robert Frink-Glen Tolle **Bkt VI** 1. Beverly Laster-Tinnie Barnett-Denise Conner-Lynell Pinion 2. Charles Gibson, Jr.-Margot Hirsch-Roy Booth-Connie Booth.

Sat Aft Strati-Fltd Open Prs A1. Nancy Passell-Grace Hunt A2. Beth & John Bromberg X1. Greg Resz-Donna Engelhart X2. Mike Miller-Charles Richards B1. Marjorie Kidd-Candy Smith B2. D. Yoquelet-Helen Bennett C1. Edward Yetter-Bonnie Kay Yetter C2. Normajo Apt-Charlotte Tunnell.

2003 District 16 Ace of Clubs Winners



Jeremy Dilbeck Theron Lindsey



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Kay Strickland Steve Tuggle



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Howard Frederick Charles Abbott



Inez Kindle Avik Kaufman

Rookie of the Year

1. Jeremy Dilbeck, Houston 77
2. Theron Lindsey, Houston 66
3. Peter Hanson, Houston 48
4. Clifford Jensen, San Antonio 41
5. Delores Johnson, Alamo 35
6. Becky Mosely, San Antonio 33
7. Marcille Kallerson, Tyler 32
8. George Roach, Dallas 32
9. Larry Smith, Austin 30
10. Gool Castleberry, San Antonio 27
11. David Warner, Austin 27
12. Larry Pinsonneault, Houston 26
13. Allen Grissom, Dallas 24
14. Jeff Ford, Austin 24
15. Frank Hefley, Kempner 24
16. Stewart DeJournett, NRichland Hls 24
17. Joseph Brown, League City 23
18. Janelle McArthur, San Antonio 22
19. Stephen Penning, Laredo 22
20. Alan Feinsilber, Houston 21

Junior Master of the Year

1. Kay Strickland, Abilene 79
2. Steven Tuggle, Houston 72
3. Sherry Johnson, San Antonio 64
4. Myrna Orenic, Abilene 53
5. Gary Larson, San Antonio 45
6. Shirley Ashby, Dallas 37
7. Lue Waddle, Dallas 35
8. Leonard Cucolo, San Antonio 33
9. Mary McGinnis, Dallas 33
10. Janet Jordan, Aled 33
11. Florence Chernin, MX 33
12. John Gale, Brownwood 32
13. Shay Ura, Plano 31
14. Adele Hudgins, Dallas 30
15. William Moody, New Braunfels 30
16. Daniel Dwyer, Abilene 27
17. James Robenson, Floresville 27
18. Lenny Hedgecoth, Temple 26
19. Bonnie Barker, Dallas 26
20. Phyllis Savell, Dallas 25

Club Master of the Year

1. J Howard Frederick, Windcrest 85
2. Charles Abbott, San Antonio 72
3. C Sue Semple, The Woodlands 62
4. Gabriel Perry, Houston 55
5. William Zelle, Houston 55
6. Easter David, Houston 51
7. Lynn Shapiro, Houston 51
8. Barbara Jones, Cleburne 50
9. Jacqueline McNamara, Woodlands 48
10. Andrea Klein, South Padre Isl 44
11. W. E. Wallace, MX 44
12. Karen Alvarado, Kingwood 44
13. Diane Washabaugh, Aledo 44
14. Bobby Stinebaugh, Bellaire 41
15. Armand Shapiro, Houston 39
16. Mary Russell, Houston 38
17. Margot Hirsch, Arlington 38
18. Becky Ellisor, Houston 38
19. Jane Holder, Horseshoe Bay 37
20. Carol Williams, Sweetwater 37

Sectional Master of the Year

1. Inez Kindle, Lubbock 81
2. Avik Kaufman, Houston 70
3. Harold Deason, San Antonio 67
4. Marvin Stewart, Burleson 64
5. Claybourne Waldrop Jr., Arlington 62
6. Priscilla Tremayne, Kerrville 59
7. Barbara Stewart, Burleson 58
8. Ronald Neben, Fort Worth 56
9. Carl Rose, Houston 55
10. Tom Denson, Temple 52
11. Bobbie Perley, Woodway 52
12. Martha Murphy, Abilene 52
13. Norma White, Beaumont 52
14. Richard Cunningham, Temple 50
15. Shirley Prewitt, Fort Worth 50
16. Jane Lewis, Sugar Land 50
17. Margaret Wallis, Weatherford 45
18. Wanda Zakrzewski, MX 45
19. Mark McAllister, Austin 45
20. Fredi Weinbaum, Houston 45



Jim Chaffee Bob Lester



Dan Capello Phyllis Schoener



Svetlana Oden Joyce Ryan



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Regional Master of the Year

1. Jim Chaffee, Fort Worth 108
2. Bob Lester, Houston 98
3. Charles Walker, San Antonio 94
4. C. W. McCauley, Waco 94
5. Lera Lewis, Abilene 89
6. Jesse Avinger, Harlingen 88
7. Helen McCrae, San Antonio 86
8. Barbara Kleinecke, Wichita Falls 85
9. W. W. Kleinecke, Wichita Falls 85
10. Elaine Davis, San Antonio 81
11. Phyllis Giffin, San Antonio 81
12. Gary Shepley, Houston 76
13. Raj Nayar, San Antonio 75
14. Jo Gayle Carter, San Antonio 73
15. Virginia Reinier, Joshua 73
16. Jim Greaves, Pearland 71
17. Mary Murray, Abilene 70
18. Patricia Rivers, Lubbock 69
19. Linda Williams, Pearsall 67
20. Billie McMahan, Fort Worth 65

NABC Master of the Year

1. Dan Capello, Orange 97
2. Phyllis Schoener, San Antonio 94
3. Dorothy Brenneman, Midland 91
4. Robin Ladin, Houston 91
5. James Steffler, Orange 88
6. Madeline Hyman, San Antonio 82
7. Arline Meyers, Beaumont 82
8. Melody Euler, Temple 77
9. William Ginger III, Beaumont 76
10. Helen Lawrence, San Antonio 75
11. Betty Fernandez, Odessa 73
12. Chuck Gillis, Houston 67
13. Mrs. M. V. Myers, San Antonio 65
14. Ingrid Kelly, Universal City 65
15. Mildred Harlow, San Antonio 65
16. Karen Fallman, Arlington 64
17. Sally Parker, San Antonio 62
18. Harry Sellidin, Houston 61
19. Donald Ross, MX 61
20. John Bulloch, Fort Worth 59

Life Master of the Year

1. Svetlana Oden, Missouri City 147
2. Joyce Ryan, Houston 93
3. James Hibbetts, Bryan 82
4. Lucy Terrill, Houston 75
5. Elizabeth Ghrist, Houston 75
6. Tim Stelly, Beaumont 75
7. Jason Kiker, Corpus Christi 74
8. Kazue Bell, Sour Lake 73
9. Jane Ellis, Maypearl 72
10. Jill Hendricks, Tomball 71
11. Janelle Frusha, Montgomery 70
12. Perry Inhofe, South Padre 69
13. Ted Webb, Fort Worth 69
14. Laura Webb, Rockport 68
15. Jerry Cummings, San Angelo 68
16. Sadhana Dalal, Houston 63
17. Alta Peck, Tyler 62
18. Lourdes Fletcher, Houston 61
19. Joe Cunningham, Fort Worth 61
20. Jo Ann Thompson, Beaumont 58

Bronze Life Master of the Year

1. Don Holst, Beaumont 153
2. Vinh Tran, Houston 139
3. Myra Ribak, San Antonio 135
4. Sandra Weber, San Antonio 128
5. Richard Duble, College Station 128
6. Doug Cross, San Antonio 126
7. Atsuko Nakamura, Pearland 126
8. Sally Armstrong, San Antonio 123
9. Anne McCullough, San Antonio 121
10. Suresh Agrawal, Mesquite 120
11. Allen Wolf, The Woodlands 119
12. Carole Price, San Antonio 116
13. John Monroe Jr., Houston 116
14. Mary Nix, Beaumont 113
15. Beverly Leger, Sour Lake 111
16. Connie Robichaux, Katy 110
17. Joe Ellis, Maypearl 109
18. Bobbi Kauffman, Katy 106
19. Joanne Young, San Antonio 105
20. Mitzi Foster Wesely, Fort Worth 103



Jeanette Magid John Smalley



Jeanne Linzel Randy Ausmus



Donna Watkins Grady Watkins



John Zilic John Fisher

Silver Life Master of the Year

1. Jeanette Magid, Houston 198
2. John Smalley, Beaumont 194
3. Aiyandar Bharathi, Beaumont 191
4. William Clegg, Jr., San Antonio 169
5. Richard Lampman, Universal City 164
6. Rosalie Ribnick, San Antonio 162
7. Carolyne Fox, Houston 161
8. Paul Nimmons, Houston 154
9. Hai Gates, Arlington 153
10. Fred Fason, Houston 148
11. Grady Fuller, Kennedale 148
12. Nancy Smalley, Beaumont 146
13. Melody Gann, Arlington 144
14. Edward Haley, Houston 143
15. Howard Tureff, Allen 141
16. Roger Boeka, San Antonio 140
17. Wolf Schroeter, Houston 140
18. Bette Allen, San Antonio 139
19. Mary Tecson, Abilene 138
20. T. Richard Grammer, Houston 136

Gold Life Master of the Year

1. Jeanne Linzel, Stafford 258
2. Randy Ausmus, Fort Worth 215
3. William White, Arlington 208
4. Jolie Hess, Houston 195
5. Pat Levy, Houston 188
6. Terry Currie, Houston 186
7. Gloria Crites, Midland 175
8. Tosi Liang, Houston 173
9. Nell Morgan, New Braunfels 168
10. Betsy Duncan, Abilene 152
11. Dottie Ann Goodloe, Houston 146
12. Jim McMullin, Houston 142
13. Shirley McKee, Houston 140
14. Roy Walker, Irving 140
15. Lew Levy, Houston 138
16. Larue Stott, Dallas 133
17. Eve Bindeman, Austin 132
18. Donna Rosz, Fort Worth 132
19. Carol Mencke, Georgetown 129
20. Mary Orock, Fort Worth 129

Diamond Life Master of the Year

1. Donna Watkins, San Antonio 232
2. Grady Watkins, San Antonio 184
3. Ron Woodsum, Houston 177
4. Miguel Reygadas, MX 173
5. Esta Van Zandt, Houston 146
6. Tipton Golias, Beaumont 146
7. Steve Lawrence, Athens 125
8. Linda Spangler, Duncanville 116
9. Diane Olson, San Antonio 116
10. Steve Shirey, Fort Worth 113
11. Peggy Fritsch, San Antonio 113
12. Betty Anthony, Lubbock 104
13. Darlene Riely, San Antonio 103
14. Jacqueline Tucker, San Antonio 86
15. Joe Quinn, Richmond 69
16. Marilyn German, Corpus Christi 68
17. Michael Dalton, Carrollton 67
18. Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie 64
19. Toni Snow, Houston 60
20. Donna McBride, Kerrville 51

Grand Life Master of the Year

1. John Zilic, Houston 98
2. John Fisher, Dallas 43
3. George Rosenkranz, MX 28
4. Tobi Sokolow, Austin 26
5. Shawn Quinn, Richmond 24
6. Dan Morse, Houston 18
7. Mildred Breed, Austin 13
8. John Mohan, MX 9
9. Sidney Lazard, Dallas 6
10. Bart Bramley, Dallas 2
11. Eddie Wold, Houston 2
12. John Sutherland, Dallas 1
13. Mike Passell, Plano 1
14. Malcolm Brachman, Dallas 1
15. Bobby Wolff, Dallas 1
16. Chris Compton, Dallas 1

Congratulations!

**Unit 201
Beaumont**
Jo Ann Thompson



Unit 201's first game of 2004, held Jan 2, NS 1) a novice Norma White and NLM Sally Blewett, 2) Arline Meyers and Joan Hataway; EW 1) the "usual suspects" Dr. A. Bharathi and Tipton Golias, 2) Emmy Ferguson and Betty Poindexter. The Orange studio's final game of 2003 was a popular Swiss team with winners 1) Ada and Dan Capello and Steve Gerhard and James Steffler, and 2) Stanley Hall and Sharon Theriot with Earl Fitch and Billy Tiger.

Three Charity Club Championships were held in January. First, January 9, 12½ tables, with overall winners A 1) Don Holst and Flo Gillispie, 2) John and Nancy Smalley, 3) Arline Meyers and Joan Hataway, 4) Dr. Bharathi and Tipton Golias, 5) Juanell Jones and Blanche Sibley, 6) Beverly Leger and Jayne Eisen; B4) Norma White and Sally Blewett and 5) Thelma Stockdale and Lorraine Brown. Second, January 12, 13½ tables, with overall winners A 1) Beverly Leger and Kaz Bell, 2) Vivian Breedlove and Mary Johnson, 3) Lela Wilson and Anil Singh, 4) Dolores Fowler and Mary V. Engelking, 5) John Smalley and Bill Ginger, 6) Betty Poindexter and Bill Lucas, B4) Arline Meyers and Anna Smith, 5) and 1st in C) Liz McKenzie and Billy Mathews, C2) Barbara White and Loretta Gary. Third, January 21, Novice winners 1) Katherine Fouts and Lucy Fanette, 2) Laura Stelly and Gwen Maxwell, 3) Alberta Romero and Patricia Schiwart, 4) Edwina and Jim Landrum.


A Club Championship on January 14 drew 12 tables with Overall winners 1) John and Nancy Smalley, 2) Jayne Eisen and Lela Wilson, 3) Mary Johnson and Flo Gillispie, 4) Don Holst and Beverly Leger, 5) Merrill Lott and Tipton Golias, 6) Barbara White and Mary Lou Terry, B 3) Helen Kay and Jo Ann Thompson, 4) Arline Meyers and Joan Hataway, 5) Kaz Bell and Marian Jones. The largest game of this month was the International Fund Game on January 19 with 14 tables and Overall winners 1)

Tipton Golias and Dr. Bharathi, 2) Anna Smith and Lorraine Brown, 3) Earl Fitch and Joe Lattimore, 4) Martha Siglar and Flo Gillispie, 5) Merrill Lott and Don Holst, 6) Betty Poindexter and Jo Ann Thompson, C 1) Bill Ginger and Bill Lucas, 2) Ron Stueber and Sally Blewett, 3) Bill Mathews and Elizabeth McKenzie.

A Swiss team on January 15 was played by ten teams, with winners A 1) Dr Bharathi and Tipton Golias, Anil Singh and Lela Wilson, 2) Carol McGill and Bill Lucas, Joe Lattimore and Sally Blewett, B 1) Thelma Stockdale and Lorraine Brown, Martha Bookman and Mary Lou Terry, B 2) W. Osberg and Sharon Theriot, Jo Ann Thompson and Dolores Belton. The Thursday Morning Club's January Birthday Bash January 22 was also a Club Championship with Overall Winners 1) Shirley Dingle and Earl Fitch, 2) Sue Patterson and Katherine Fouts, 3) Dolores Belton and Mary Shumaker, 4) Dot Lloyd and Frances Floyd, and 5) Lois Mathews and Hugh Smith.

You are invited to attend Unit 201's Spring Sectional March 11 to 14 at the Port Arthur Holiday Inn. Please contact Sally Blewett at sblewett@sbcglobal.net for more information, or Arline Meyers at ekpoin@cs.com for partners.

**Unit 237
Magic Valley**
Donna Ahlquist



Hi everybody. This month's article is short because of the death of my life partner, Ross Robbins, who died in January. I wrote about him in the last Scorecard but want to add that Andrea Klien had a charity game in his honor February 3rd. Proceeds were donated to the ACBL educational fund. Eleven and a half tables were in play with Jo Ann Satterwaite and Madi Deml coming in first north/south. Jim Bagley and Mark Steele came in first east/west. Ross was very active in the bridge community both locally and nationally. I know he will be missed. My thanks to all those bridge players that sent their sympathy and support.

Magic Valley Sectional, January 30-February 1, 2004



Fri Morn Strat Open Prs C
Barbara McCormack & Catherine Kennedy



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A
Don & Lois Define



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs C
Alan Johnston & Bobby Melton

**Results: Magic Valley Sectional
Fri Morn Strat Open Prs A1.** Bill Walker-Marilyn German A2. Henrietta Harmon-Margaret Goeree B1. Barbara Cooper-Dianne Vander Putten B2. Anthony Toogood-Irene Toogood C1. Barbara McCormack-Catherine Kennedy C2. Paula Huber-Alfred Huber.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Lois Define-Don Define A2. John Bulloch-Marty Rawls B1. N. Tarbet-Laverne Hill B2.C1. Bobby Melton-Alan Johnston C2. Bobbie Saulter-R. Saulter.

Sat Strat Open Prs A1. Marilyn German-Donna McBride A2. James Gormong-Jane Ann Gormong B1.C1. Esther Nordhogen-Curtis Nordhogen B2.C2. Bobbie Saulter-R. Saulter.

Sun Strat Swiss Teams A1. Ed Rawlinson-Marilyn German-Donna McBride-Bill Walker A2. John Bulloch-Jane Ann & James Gormong-Susan O'Neil B1/2. Mark Steele-Martha Hensel-Henrietta Harmon-Shirley Hyde B1/2. Andrea Klein-Joanne Thorne-Bettie Hollon-Ilse Drawe C1. Curtis & Esther Nordhogen-Betty Kline-Donna McLaren C2. Bob Mawson-Nancy Wentzel-Cynthia Dennison-Stan Oftelie.



Sun Strat Swiss Teams B1/2
Mark Steele & Martha Hensel
Henrietta Harmon & Shirley Hyde



Sun Strat Swiss Teams B1/2
Andrea Klein & Joanne Thorne
Bettie Hollon & Ilse Drawe



Sun Strat Swiss Teams A
Ed Rawlinson & Bill Walker
Marilyn German & Donna McBride
Marilyn & Donna also won
Sat Strat Open Prs A
Marilyn & Bill also won
Fri Morn Strat Open Prs A



Sun Strat Swiss Teams C
Curtis & Esther Nordhogen
Betty Kline & Donna McLaren
Curtis and Esther also won
Sat Strat Open Prs BC

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199er Pairs 7:00 pm

Friday, March 12

Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:30 pm
199er Pairs, single sessions 9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:30 pm

Saturday, March 13

Choice Stratified Pairs, Any 2 sessions of 3 9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:30 pm
199er Pairs, single sessions 9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:30 pm

Sunday, March 14

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams 10:30 am & TBA

Free Coffee and Rolls at Morning Games
Buffet served between Swiss Team Sessions
Novice Reception - Friday 5:00 pm

Stratifications

Open Pairs: A: 1250+, B: 300-1250, C: 0-300
199er Pairs: A: 100-200, B: 50-100, C: 0-50
Teams: A & A1 Separate: A1: 2000+ A2: 0-2000
B & C play together B: 300-1250, C: 0-300

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Jeremy Dilbeck Jeff Ford

Rookie of the Year

1. Jeremy Dilbeck, Houston 128
2. Jeff Ford, Austin 111
3. David Warner, Austin 107
4. Larry Smith, Austin 105
5. Peter Hanson, Houston 85
6. Theron Lindsey, Houston 79
7. Clifford Jensen, San Antonio 74
8. George Roach, Dallas 52
9. Becky Mosely, San Antonio 52
10. Janet Cunningham, Fort Worth 52
11. Tamas Hausel, Austin 51
12. Milton Ellisor, Houston 43
13. Howard Lindsey, Dickinson 42
14. Delores Johnson, Alamo 41
15. Mary Jo Long, Fort Worth 41
16. Donna Garrard, Irving 38
17. Allen Grissom, Dallas 38
18. Winford Boyd, Euless 37
19. Janice Boyd, Euless 37
20. Larry Pinsonneault, Houston 37



Steven Tuggle Kay Strickland

Junior Master of the Year

1. Steven Tuggle, Houston 196
2. Kay Strickland, Abilene 113
3. Shirley Ashby, Dallas 104
4. David Wicks, Houston 103
5. Janet Jordan, Aledd 93
6. Sherry Johnson, San Antonio 87
7. Mary McGinnis, Dallas 87
8. Sylvere Luquette, Van 74
9. Wilma Luquette, Van 74
10. Myrna Orenic, Abilene 66
11. Shay Ura, Plano 66
12. Bob Ingebritson, Carrollton 63
13. Gary Larson, San Antonio 59
14. Lue Waddle, Dallas 55
15. Leonard Cucolo, San Antonio 53
16. Richard Turner, New Braunfels 47
17. Charles Gibson Jr., Arlington 42
18. Adele Hudgins, Dallas 42
19. John Galey, Brownwood 41
20. Helen Nelson, Grand Prairie 41



Sue Semple Howard Frederick

Club Master of the Year

1. Sue Semple, Woodlands 163
2. J Howard Frederick, Windcrest 139
3. Charles Abbott, San Antonio 138
4. Karen Alvarado, Kingwood 122
5. Margot Hirsch, Arlington 118
6. Jacqueline McNamara, Woodlands 110
7. Gabriel Perry, Houston 109
8. Alfred Fortier III, Katy 106
9. Diane Washabaugh, Aledo 106
10. Hugh Miller, Houston 104
11. Catherine Miller, Houston 104
12. William Zelle, Houston 102
13. Randolph Worsham, Dallas 99
14. Nicholas Jong, Austin 86
15. Andrea Klein, South Padre Isl 83
16. Barbara Jones, Cleburne 79
17. Lynn Shapiro, Houston 79
18. Easter David, Houston 77
19. Becky Ellisor, Houston 74
20. Paul Wear, Houston 74



Avik Kaufman Claybourne Waldrop

Sectional Master of the Year

1. Avik Kaufman, Houston 135
2. Claybourne Waldrop Jr., Arlington 125
3. Inger Lise Blount, Horseshoe Bay 125
4. Shirley Prewitt, Fort Worth 118
5. Dion Dubois, Dallas 116
6. Joanna Kaspar, Dallas 113
7. Marvin Stewart, Burleson 110
8. Linda Howard, Houston 107
9. Ronald Neben, Fort Worth 106
10. Richard Cunningham, Temple 106
11. James Esker, Richardson 106
12. Barbara Stewart, Burleson 104
13. Martha Murphy, Abilene 102
14. Inez Kindle, Lubbock 100
15. Eleanor Lipscomb, Houston 100
16. Stefan Davis, Wichita Falls 96
17. Margaret Wallis, Weatherford 96
18. John Stieber, Houston 93
19. Carl Rose, Houston 90
20. Jeanette Hughes, Marble Falls 89



Gary Shepley Jim Chaffee

Regional Master of the Year

1. Gary Shepley, Houston 290
2. Jim Chaffee, Fort Worth 228
3. Cheryl Evans, Houston 210
4. Raj Nayar, San Antonio 197
5. Phyllis Giffin, San Antonio 189
6. Helen McCrae, San Antonio 180
7. Billie McMahan, Fort Worth 169
8. Virginia Reinier, Joshua 166
9. Bob Lester, Houston 165
10. Bonnie Kay Yetter, Garland 146
11. John Taylor, Lago Vista 144
12. Nadia Branisa, Houston 138
13. Edward Yetter, Garland 135
14. Lera Lewis, Abilene 130
15. Leigh Ann Poindexter, Spring 128
16. Sonia Bryant, Spring 126
17. Wanda Myers, Rockport 126
18. A. Richard Devaul, College Station 122
19. Ann Kennemer, Burleson 118
20. Barbara Kleinecke, Wichita Falls 113



Melody Euler Robin Ladin

NABC Master of the Year

1. Melody Euler, Temple 157
2. Robin Ladin, Houston 145
3. Lawton Hutchison, Austin 133
4. Dorothy Breneman, Midland 128
5. William Breslin, Houston 127
6. Cheri Staples, Houston 123
7. Dan Capello, Orange 122
8. Phyllis Schoener, San Antonio 121
9. Truett Cates, Sherman 119
10. Chuck Gillis, Houston 118
11. Arline Meyers, Beaumont 113
12. William Ginger III, Beaumont 111
13. Jean Blilie, Kerrville 109
14. Betty Fernandez, Odessa 108
15. Sally Parker, San Antonio 106
16. Shary Watson, Corsicana 106
17. Kenneth Baker, Houston 106
18. Kurt Brescoll, Mansfield 104
19. Mark Wallet, Katy 104
20. Betty Baxter, Odessa 104



Svetlana Oden Ralda St Pierre

Life Master of the Year

1. Svetlana Oden, Missouri City 236
2. Ralda St Pierre, Houston 234
3. Anthony Eckman, Austin 175
4. Laura Miller, Rockport 169
5. Joyce Ryan, Houston 168
6. Katherine Onstott, Stafford 150
7. Joe Clark, Dallas 140
8. Mary Adams, Temple 131
9. Lucy Terrill, Houston 130
10. Elizabeth Ghrist, Houston 127
11. Ronald McDonald, MX 125
12. Shirley Naumann, Marble Falls 124
13. Lorena Strange, Bridge City 121
14. Jason Kiker, Corpus Christi 119
15. Tim Stelly, Beaumont 114
16. Kazue Bell, Sour Lake 109
17. Roy Marsh, Woodlands 109
18. James Wueste, Austin 109
19. Alta Peck, Tyler 107
20. James Hibbetts, Bryan 104



Justin Lall Thomas Lennon

Bronze Life Master of the Year

1. Justin Lall, San Antonio 673
2. Thomas Lennon, Woodlands 401
3. Patricia Lozano, San Antonio 364
4. Allen Wolf, Woodlands 251
5. Doug Cross, San Antonio 242
6. Marilyn Arnold, San Antonio 241
7. Genie Kaplan, Georgetown 229
8. Bob Scallan, Dallas 222
9. Suresh Agrawal, Mesquite 221
10. Sandra Weber, San Antonio 215
11. John Monroe Jr., Houston 213
12. Don Holst, Beaumont 210
13. Eddie Bass, Houston 209
14. Carole Price, San Antonio 208
15. Donna Compton, Dallas 206
16. Richard Duble, College Station 196
17. Fred Feigley, Houston 194
18. Bobbi Kauffman, Katy 192
19. Vinh Tran, Houston 191
20. Atsuko Nakamura, Pearland 190



Greg Hinze Gail Wells

Silver Life Master of the Year

1. Greg Hinze, Grand Prairie 684
2. Gail Wells, Plano 658
3. Carolyn Jackson, Sugar Land 408
4. Lynn Baker, Austin 372
5. Jeanette Magid, Houston 341
6. Carolyne Fox, Houston 340
7. John Erickson, Houston 339
8. Pat McMullin, Houston 339
9. Koy Bass, San Antonio 338
10. James Bauer, Dallas 335
11. Carolyn Pinto, Fort Worth 325
12. John Smalley, Beaumont 313
13. George Fox, Houston 309
14. Patricia Griffin, Austin 309
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16. Paul Nimmons, Houston 291
17. Howard Tureff, Allen 289
18. Norman Beck, Dallas 286
19. James La Fountain, Temple 282
20. Aiyandar Bharathi, Beaumont 281



Nagy Kamel Michael Walrath

Gold Life Master of the Year

1. Nagy Kamel, Plano 1038
2. Michael Walrath, Keller 638
3. Sally Wheeler, Spring 501
4. Terry Currie, Houston 462
5. Buddy Hanby, Spring 440
6. Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton 435
7. Rosemary Kelley, Austin 423
8. Jeanne Linzel, Stafford 400
9. James Thurtell, Dallas 391
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Tom Peters Hemant Lall

Diamond Life Master of the Year

1. Thomas Peters, Grapeland 818
2. Hemant Lall, Plano 792
3. Carolyn Peters, Grapeland 597
4. Edward Groner, Houston 582
5. Petra Hamman, Dallas 543
6. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio 511
7. Joan Jackson, Dallas 491
8. Miguel Reygadas, MX 490
9. Barry Schaffer, Frisco 458
10. Linda Spangler, Duncanville 450
11. George Pisk, Manchaca 417
12. Steve Shirey, Fort Worth 408
13. Peggy Sutherland, Dallas 392
14. Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie 362
15. Jeff Olson, Dallas 359
16. Joe Quinn, Richmond 352
17. Paul Kelley Jr., Austin 345
18. Ron Woodsum, Houston 317
19. Ira Hessel, San Antonio 309
20. Toni Snow, Houston 295



Eddie Wold Mike Passell

Grand Life Master of the Year

1. Eddie Wold, Houston 3098
2. Mike Passell, Plano 2912
3. Bob Hamman, Dallas 1005
4. John Sutherland, Dallas 959
5. Malcolm Brachman, Dallas 899
6. Dan Morse, Houston 868
7. Bobby Wolff, Dallas 831
8. Tobi Sokolow, Austin 828
9. Shawn Quinn, Richmond 697
10. John Mohan, MX 667
11. John Zilic, Houston 661
12. Chris Compton, Dallas 657
13. Mildred Breed, Austin 646
14. George Rosenkranz, MX 558
15. Bart Bramley, Dallas 450
16. Sidney Lazard, Dallas 275
17. John Fisher, Dallas 120

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San Antonio Winter Fun Sectional, January 16-19, 2004



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A
Bill Walker & Ed Rawlinson



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs B
Dorothy Rippstein & Roxana Tom



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs C
Ann Oppenheimer & Betty Knaggs



Fri Aft Strat 99er Prs
Sherry Johnson & Gary Larson



Fri Eve & Sun Strat Open Prs B
Justin Lall & Patricia Lozano



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs C
Janet & William Walker



Fri & Sat Eve Strat 99er Prs
Leonard Cucolo & Becky Mosely



Sat Aft Strat Open Prs B
Toni Reinhart & Ermabel Askin



Sat Aft Strat 99er Prs ABC
Robert & Beverly Maak



Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A
Marilyn German & Donna McBride



Sat Eve Strat Open Prs C
Linda Lawrence & Rebecca Tanner



Sun Strat Open Prs A
Phillip Grothus & Paul Kelley



Sun Strat Open Prs C
John Taylor & Jeff Ford



Sun Strat Side Prs AB
Anne McCullough & Orpha Sears



Sun Aft Strat 99er Prs
Bobbi & Jim Hale



Mon Strat Swiss Teams A
Ira Hessel & Jim Griffin
Ellen Hessel & George Pisk



Mon Strat Swiss Teams B
Sally Parker & Ken Carpenter
(NP) Charles Walker & Javier Smilovic



Mon Strat Swiss Teams C
Billie Black & Billie Darnell
Jeanette Hughes & Inger Blount

Results: San Antonio Sectional

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Ed Rawlinson-Bill Walker A2. Rosemary Kelley-Paul Kelley, Jr. B1. Roxana Tom-Dorothy Rippstein B2. Antoinette Reinhart-Nadine Reineck C1. Ann Oppenheimer-Betty Knaggs C2. Janice Coley-Carolyn Martin.

Fri Aft Strat 99er Prs A1. Sherry Johnson-Gary Larson A2. Pattie Thompson-Nora Scott.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Bill Tseng-Donna Watkins A2. Donna McBride-Michael Boulette B1. Justin Lall-Patricia Lozano B2. Sheryleen Grothus-Marilyn Arnold C1. William Walker-Janet Walker C2. Virginia Wynne-Beula Mae Pearce.

Fri Eve Strat 99er Prs 1. Becky Mosely-Leonard Cucolo 2. William DeShane-Toshi Nobe.

Sat Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Robert Stout-Charles Hampton A2. Jacqueline

Tucker-Marina Mann B1. Ermabel Askin-Antoinette Reinhart B2. Katherine Gary-Roxana Tom C1. J. Howard Frederick-Jo Gayle Carter C2. Roxana Tom-Paula Warren.

Sat Aft Strat 99er Prs A1.B1.C1. Beverly Maak-Robert Maak A2. Mary Lou Click-Cho Mayo B2. Olivia Brown-Judy Carroll C2. Marian Dike-Margaret Montez.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Donna McBride-Marilyn German A2. Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel B1. Kenneth McAllister-Bobbie Jones B2. Doug Cross-Javier Smilovic C1. Linda Lawrence-Rebecca Lu Tanner C2. Roxana Tom-Paula Warren.

Sat Eve Strat 99er Prs 1. Becky Mosely-Leonard Cucolo 2. Judy Carroll-Olivia Brown.

Sun Strat Open Prs A1. Phillip Grothus-Paul Kelley, Jr. A2. B1. Justin Lall-Patricia Lozano B2. Kenneth

McAllister-Bobbie Jones C1. Jeff Ford-John Taylor C2. Rita Shackelford-Sandra Davis.

Sun Aft Strat 99er Prs 1. Bobbi Hale- Jim Hale 2. Robert Maak-Beverly Maak.

Sun Aft Strat Side Game A1.B1. Anne McCullough-Orpha Sears B1.B2. William Cohn-Phyllis Schoener C1. Janelle McArthur-Estelle Kaufman C2. Charles Abbott-Lewis Purnell.

Mon Strat Swiss Teams A1. George Pisk-James Griffin-Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel A2. Terry Riely-Carolyn Riely-Marilyn Arnold-Alan Copeland B1. Ken Carpenter-Sally Parker-Charles Walker-Javier Smilovic C1. Inger Lise Blount-Billie Black-Jeanette Hughes-Billie Darnell C2/3. Ann Oppenheimer-Betty Knapps-Linda Lawrence-Rebecca Lu Tanner C2/3. Susie Willerson-Jane Bowers-Jane Maclin-Barbara Altgelt.

**Unit 172
San Antonio**

Beverly Santos

Robbie Borchers, my predecessor, has relinquished the pen and quill to me. The Unit expresses their appreciation for the time and effort she devoted to writing this insightful column for the *Scorecard*.

Congratulations to the newly elected officers of Unit 172: President - Roxanna Tom, Vice President - Everett Lewis, Treasurer - Ed Rawlinson, Secretary - Phyllis Giffin. The Board looks forward to a productive year in supporting our members and Unit 172 Clubs. We thank our club owners for closing during our scheduled Unit events.

We are proud to have two outstanding members represent our Unit at the Spring Nationals. David Hadden and his partner Alex Kolesnik (Austin Unit 207) won the District 16 NAP Flight A event (their notebooks are pending publication). Justin Lall will also be heading to Reno to compete in the NABC. We are in your corner cheering for you.

The prestigious Horton-Gray annual award was presented to one of our favorite couples, Ira and Ellen Hessel, for winning the greatest number of masterpoints in Unit 172 Sectionals for 2003.

Kudos to Susie Wilkerson, Jane Maclin, Phyllis Giffin and Helen McCrae who achieved the status of Life Master.

Cheers and well wishes to our friends Koy Bass, Carol Campbell, Jo Gayle Carter, Anna Mary Stewart and Sondra Sugeran for a speedy and healthy recovery. Lyda Glenn passed away recently and we extend our sympathy to her family and friends.

The San Antonio Winter Fun Sectional held at the Airport Hilton was enjoyed by all. Many thanks to Janise Saul, Tournament Chairman, Cisse Horton for preparing special hospitality treats, Jack Mehrens and Tom Marsh, our outstanding Tournament Directors and Sandy Eiperg, Caddy Chairperson for

a smoothly run tournament. We had "Fun."

Plan to attend the following Unit events: March 21-March Madness Charity Game starting at 1pm at Bailey's Bridge Studio, April 11 Unit Charity Championship beginning at 1pm at Bailey's and April 15-18 Kerrville Sectional at The Inn of the Hills.

Playing bridge is just a slow process of learning to be kind.

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 • **The Scorecard Staff would like** •
 • **to thank Robbie for her time as** •
 • **Unit 172 Columnist.** •
 • **Welcome aboard Beverly!** •
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District 16-Wide Charity Game Winners

Judith Hoffing and Vinh Tran, playing at the Spring Branch Duplicate game scored 69.17% to top the field of 143 tables and win the District Charity Game on October 20, 2003.

Fifteen sites participated in District 16-Wide Charity game, raising \$858.00 for the American Contract Bridge League Charity Foundation and the National Hospice Foundation, the 2003 Charity of the Year.

Other winners included: Mary Adams and Suzanne Guess, Temple 68.37%; Suresh Agrawal, Mesquite and Bob Scallan, Dallas 68.06%;

Sally Littoral and Mary McCrary, Lubbock 66.48%; and Louetta Green and Norma Walker, San Angelo 65.83%.

Alzheimer's Association has been selected the ACBL Charity of the Year for 2004. District 16-Wide Charity Game will be Friday, September 24, 2004.

The ACBL Charity Foundation was created in 1964. The principal goal of the Foundation is to make substantial contributions to various charitable organizations. All contributions are fully tax deductible.



Remember the Alamo Sectional

Alamo Bridge Club

8709 Botts Lane, San Antonio TX

210.822.2223

May 6-9, 2004

Thursday, May 6

Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm

Friday, May 7

Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm

Saturday, May 8

Stratified Open Pairs, playthrough 10:30 am & 3:30 pm

Players may play only one session if desired.

Sunday, May 9

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams 10:30 & TBA

Stratifications

Pairs: A: 1500+, B: 300-1500, C: 0-300
 Swiss Teams: A: Unlimited, AX: 1500-3000 (play together)
 B: 750-1500, C: 300-750, D: 0-300 (play together)

**0-99er Sections will be scheduled
as attendance warrants**

**No smoking with smoking breaks
Complimentary coffee, tea, snacks all sessions
Meal between swiss team sessions**

Partnerships available call the Club 210.822.2223

Entry Fees

\$9/per/session ACBL member
 \$10/non-members \$80/Swiss Teams
 \$4/person/session to students
 with ID Under 25 years of age

Tournament Chairman

Richard Lampman
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Courtesy and Good Manners are required**



Mike Passell

District 16 Top 100 Life-Time Masterpoint Holders

Mike Passell Top Man

Tobi Sokolow Top Woman

(As of December 31, 2003)



Tobi Sokolow

1. Mike Passell, Plano	51,321	26. Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie	9454	51. Darlene Riely, San Antonio	6418	76. Kimmel Jones, Euless	5204
2. Eddie Wold, Houston	43,283	27. Terry Riely, San Antonio	9318	52. Paul Kelley Jr., Austin	6312	77. Jack La Vigne, Houston	5182
3. Bobby Wolff, Dallas	26,038	28. Thomas Peters, Grapeland	9215	53. Peggy Fritsch, San Antonio	6271	78. Gary Powell, Austin	5174
4. Bob Hamman, Dallas	25,884	29. Jim Miller, Dallas	8892	54. Fran Beard, Dallas	6083	79. Betsy Wolff, Dallas	5125
5. John Sutherlin, Dallas	22,106	30. Derrell Childs, Garland	8397	55. Ron Woodsum, Houston	6073	80. Edith Rosenkranz, MX	5111
6. John Fisher, Dallas	18,328	31. Grady Watkins, San Antonio	8142	56. Michael Dalton, Carrollton	6070	81. Dottie Ann Goodloe, Houston	5107
7. John Zilic, Houston	17,880	32. Jacqueline Tucker, San Antonio	7839	57. Marilyn German, Corpus Christi	5863	82. Jack Lacy, Round Rock	5095
8. Malcolm Brachman, Dallas	16,657	33. Georgiana Gates, Houston	7800	58. Virginia Zilic, Houston	5836	83. Stephen Kornegay, N Richlnd Hls	5059
9. Chris Compton, Dallas	16,264	34. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio	7641	59. Carolyn Peters, Grapeland	5832	84. Gonzalo Herrera, MX	5021
10. Sidney Lazard, Dallas	15,794	35. Robert Morris, Houston	7632	60. Jerre Gardiner, Fort Worth	5828	85. Bryan Storey, Plano	4993
11. George Rosenkranz, MX	15,688	36. Hemant Lal, Plano	7562	61. Nancy Passell, Plano	5794	86. Gary Mitchell, MX	4902
12. Steve Lawrence, Athens	15,059	37. Kenneth Schutze, Austin	7452	62. Donna McBride, Kerrville	5789	87. Larry La Brecque, Denton	4733
13. Dan Morse, Houston	15,035	38. Tipton Golias, Beaumont	7254	63. Alan Copeland, Arlington	5771	88. Howard Wilkins, Abilene	4712
14. Bart Bramley, Dallas	14,586	39. Joe Quinn, Richmond	7114	64. Nancy Alpaugh, Houston	5709	89. Judi Smith, Houston	4657
15. George Pisk, Manchaca	14,208	40. Linda Spangler, Duncanville	7079	65. Kerr Godfrey, Houston	5639	90. Ira Chorush, Houston	4646
16. Hugh Maclean, Gonzales	13,465	41. Royce McCray, Caddo Mills	7006	66. Toni Snow, Houston	5545	91. Dan Oken, MX	4636
17. Tobi Sokolow, Austin	12,911	42. Joan Jackson, Dallas	6692	67. Marion Snyder, Dallas	5442	92. Michael Murphy, Dallas	4600
18. Mildred Breed, Austin	11,409	43. Barry Schaffer, Frisco	6690	68. Donna Watkins, San Antonio	5403	93. Sally Wheeler, Spring	4573
19. Shawn Quinn, Richmond	11,201	44. Ziggy Tucker, San Antonio	6674	69. Nagy Kamel, Plano	5367	94. August Plate, Houston	4522
20. Steve Shirey, Fort Worth	10,684	45. Gloria Reysa, Dallas	6636	70. James Griffin, Austin	5341	95. Stephen Schwall, Houston	4500
21. Esta Van Zandt, Houston	10,540	46. Diane Olson, San Antonio	6604	71. Tarek Radjef, Dallas	5297	96. Betty Dickerson, Midland	4487
22. Edward Groner, Houston	10,074	47. Jeff Olson, Dallas	6572	72. Jo Carol White, Fort Worth	5265	97. Betsy Duncan, Abilene	4477
23. Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas	10,066	48. Ira Hessel, San Antonio	6549	73. Pat Levy, Houston	5263	98. Merri-Jo Hillaker, Grand Prairie	4451
24. Petra Hamman, Dallas	9800	49. Judy Bramley, Dallas	6540	74. David Horner, Carrollton	5213	99. Beth Stuart, Houston	4446
25. Miguel Reygadas, MX	9567	50. Betty Anthony, Lubbock	6511	75. Robin Klar, Spring	5206	100. Thomas Hughes Jr., Fort Worth	4431

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June 29-July 5

4TH OF JULY REGIONAL

PAIR EVENTS	9 am	1 pm	7 pm
Tues Win-an-Entry(Mast/Non)			◆
Wed Strat. Open Prs.		◆	◆
Thurs Stati-flighted Open Prs.		◆	◆
Fri Strat. Open Prs.		◆	◆
Sat Strat. Open Choice Prs.	◆	◆	◆
Strat. Senior Choice Prs.	◆	◆	◆
Sun Strat. Open Choice Prs.	◆	◆	◆
Strat. Senior Choice Prs.	◆	◆	◆
Mon Strat. Fast Prs.(2 Sessions)		10 am & +	

TEAM EVENTS	
Wed, Fri, Sun Board-a-Match	◆
Thurs, Sat Swiss Team	◆
Mon Strati-flighted Swiss	10 am & +

BRACKETED KNOCKOUTS (1st Session)	
Tues (cont. Wed 9, 1, & 7)	◆
Wed-Sun (cont. 7 & next day 1 & 7)	◆
Thurs (cont. mornings thru Sun)	◆

COMPACT KNOCKOUTS (1st session)	
Sat (cont. Sun 9)	◆
Sun	◆ ◆

	A	B	C	D	X
Strat. Pair:	unlimited	0-2000	0-750		
Senior Prs.:	unlimited	0-1500	0-500		
Side Games:	unlimited	0-1500	0-500		
Strati-Flighted:	unlimited	0-2000	0-1250	0-500	0-3500

Hotel Information Doubletree Hotel 6505 IH 35 N Austin, TX 78752
 (800)347-0330 Bridge Rate \$79 (before April 30) \$85 (April 30-June 15)



LATE-NIGHT ZIP KO'S
 Fri & Sat 10:30 pm

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 A 0-299 B 0-99 C 0-20

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Unit 224
Fort Phantom
Ginny Wisdom



Unit 224 is losing its *Scorecard* reporters, Bob Young who is preparing to move to Navasota and Jackie Sonnenburg who is busy as Club Manager. Many thanks for their service.

We welcome our new president, Mary Lou Gross, a former *Scorecard* reporter and also give a big "thank you" to retiring president, Delbert Hess.

Our New Year's Eve game was quite a dramatic one. Most of us, when approaching the bridge center, were troubled at seeing two ambulances. We saw Mary Ellen Headstream being carried out on a gurney into one of the vehicles and learned she had a nasty fall. After the excitement died down, the evening progressed as usual, but when we were ready to leave for home, we all burst into song, singing, "Auld Lang Syne." Who says bridge players aren't sentimental?

The Unit offers its sincere sympathy to Pat Morrison who lost her son, to Mary Murray who lost her husband, Wayne and to Coyita Bowker who lost her husband, Ken. Hospitalized are Mary Ellen Headstream with injuries to her back, arm and hip, and Lorrie Drury who was re-admitted with acute leukemia. We pray for their recovery.

On a brighter plane, we see back at the game Howard Wilkins and Martha Murphy (recovered from their surgeries), Ed Grant who was shaken up from a motorcycle accident and Dale Lain undergoing medical testing and treatment.

A new game, First Tuesday, is being initiated by proprietors, Beverly Walker and Pat Wilson beginning February 3rd at the Bridge Center. A free lunch is offered on the first Tuesday of the month.

Congratulations to the winners of the first International Fund Game held in January. Bea Duggan and Pat Ramsey won Flight A and Delbert Pat Hess won in Flights B and C.

We have some smiling members who just returned from Albuquerque with Gold Points! They are the team of Lera Lewis, Martha Murphy, Gracie Craig and Dorothy King and Ed Grant and Bob Young. Nice going!

The Unit invites *Scorecard* readers to come and visit us in Abilene.

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• The *Scorecard* Staff wishes to thank Bob Young and Jackie Sonnenburg for their time as Unit 224 Columnists and welcome Ginny Wisdom to the staff. •••••

Ajijic Sectional
Jan 29-Feb 1, 2004

Thurs Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Sue Gerard-John Taylor A2.B2.C1. Alfredo Ringel-Deborah Ringel C2. Mary Burgmeier-Bob Burgmeier.

Fri Strat Open Prs A1. Tom Henry-Cheryl Frizzell A2. Gonzalo Herrera-Ana Luisa Herrera B1. Diane Van Brocklin-Helen Malcolm B2. Sue Gerard-John Taylor C1. Pauline Reid-James Robinson C2. Sy Barasch-Melvin Wellstead.

Fri Strat 49er Prs A1. Larry Chamberlain-Nancy Chamberlain A2.B1. Stephen Penning-Michael Closs B2. Fran Smith-Norm Smith C1. Barbara & Bill Wheat C2. Janet & Ross Mitchell.

Sat Strat Open Prs A1. Ana Luisa Herrera-Gonzalo Herrera A2. Norinne Anderson Nelson-N. Richard Nelson B1. J. Anderson-Gaylord Brockway B2. Maxine Webb-Donna McElroy C1. Armida Murguia-Sally Moel C2. Deborah Ringel-Afredo Ringel.

Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams A1. Mac Argo, III-Doris Denny-Tom Henry-Cheryl Frizzell A2. Ana Luisa Herrera-Gonzalo Herrera-Dorita Montelongo-Enrico Pagani B1. J. Anderson-Donald Ross-Gaylord Brockway-David Hoogenberg B2.C1. Stephen Penning-Rudy Ware-Michael Closs-Patricia Bailey C2. Pauline Reid-James Robinson-Norm Smith-Fran Smith.

Unit 207
Austin
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A curious thing happened at the Unit 207 open pairs championship on January 31. Tobias and Kelley won East-West, and Tobias and Kelley won North-South. East-West were Paul Kelley and Paul Tobias; North-South were Rosemary Kelley and Elizabeth Tobias. Perhaps something like this has happened before, but certainly not often. Only infrequently do couples form partnerships in this fashion, and for both to win is truly extraordinary.

In the last *Scorecard* we extended congratulations to John Taylor for his success at the Puerto Vallarta regional; in this issue we congratulate him on becoming a life master. Other players who recently have achieved milestones include Lynn Baker (gold), Louis Sachar (silver), and Joanna Cadden (bronze).

Many of the players in this unit began 2004 at the Austin New Year's sectional. Those results are reported elsewhere in this issue. However, we do wish to acknowledge Paul Tobias, who was the top masterpoint winner in the tournament. At the San Antonio winter sectional several Unit 207 players recorded wins. Mike Stout and Charles Hampton were the overall winners in the Saturday open pairs. The next day Paul Kelley followed with a win, while Jeff Ford and John Taylor were finishing at the top of the C stratum. In the Swiss team competition George Pisk and James Griffin formed half of the winning entry, and the C winner included Inger Blount, Billie Black, and Jeannette Hughes. At the Richardson Super Bowl sectional Alex Kolesnik's team won the top bracket of the Saturday knockout. Tony Eckman also played on a winning KO team in that tournament. Finally we report that John Taylor continues to play tough in Mexico; he won an open pairs event at the Ajijic sectional.

Special events forthcoming on the Austin schedule include the NLM sectional March 13-14. Come to the April 10 Lone Arranger, and you will be matched with a partner by the luck of the draw or the whim of the director. Tournament players who want to plan ahead should note that Austin will be hosting a sectional May 13-16 and a regional June 30-July 5.

At the time this column is being written, the results of the Unit 207 board elections are unknown. However, I do know that the lucky winners, whoever they turn out to be, will be receiving a sentence of three years of

Houston Unit 172 STaC, January 12-18, 2004

Results: Unit 172 STaC
Mon Aft Open Prs A1. Ida Morrow-Edith Reid A2.B1. Lola Benson-Alvaretta Kohanke B2. Sylvia Farb-Charlotte Chapman C1. Catherine Miller-Hugh Miller C2. Billie Watkins-Joel Watkins.

Mon Eve Open Prs A1. Oren Moore-Stephen Schwall A2. Jolie Hess-Pat Levy B1. Robert Arnett-Robin Johnson B2. Lucy Terrill-Robert Watkins C1. Donna Mann-Lucy Hofmann C2. Susan Ross-Fred Deering.

Mon Eve Side Game A1.B1. Harold Longbotham-Imogene Longbotham A2.B2. Linda Brending-Frances Cofer.

Mon Eve 299er Prs A1. Sonia Bryant-Leigh Ann Poindexter A2.B1. Robert Arnett-Robin Johnson B2 Russell Joyner-Mike Nelson C1. Beverly Cheatham-Patricia Schwenker.

Tues Aft Open Prs A1.B1. Robert Gran-Anne Cox A2.B2.C1. Georgia Sampson-Sonia Bryant C2. Joyce Anderson-Victoria Glass.

Tues Aft Side Game A1.B1. Julia Blancet-Helen Caldwell A2. Joseph Odom-M. Slomka B2.C1. Margaret Brewer-Virginia Goff C2. Wanda Earles-Judy Darrell.

Tues Eve Open Prs A1.B1. Amidas Makken-Kenneth Koehler A2. Nancy Boothe-John Zilic B2.C1. Luca Dona-Joe Wald C2. Glenda Stieber-John Stieber.

Tues Eve 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Beverly Stevenson-Terry Harrison A2.B2.C2. Wallace McEathron-Sharon Rosenberger.

Tues Eve Side Game A1.B1. Natalie Greene-Hella DeSimons A2. Joseph Odom-Nancy Odom.

Wed Aft Open Prs A1.B1. Julia Blancet-Paul Boven A2. John Zilic-Karen Snyder B2. Pamela Dettmers-Betty Sale Murphy C1. Judy Darrell-Marge Rambo C2. Nadia Branisa-Silvana Smith.

hard labor. On the other hand, the unsuccessful candidates—I speak from experience—probably will find themselves feeling some disappointment. Win or lose, anyone who becomes a candidate winds up making a sacrifice in one way or another. So I would like to express appreciation to the persons who agreed to let their names be placed on the ballot. Andras Budinszky, Laura Delfeld, Hal DeShong, Marilyn Jackson, Mary Anne Laier, and Jim Williams—thanks. Regardless of the outcome, you have made a genuine contribution to our unit—one that is appreciated even by members who did not vote for you.

Wed Eve Open Prs A1.B1. Jeff Nutall-Katherine Onstott A2. B2. E. Sue Nease-Ida Lewis C1. Robert Lester-Steve Tuggle C2. Mary Sue Leatherwood-Darlene Thompson.

Thurs Aft Open Prs A1. Lawrence Gordon-N. Gordon A2. Anna Marlatt-Joyce Park B1. Giovanna Spiker-Nadia Branisa B2.C1. William Zelle-Avik Kaufman C2. Charles Sommer-Lisa Sommer.

Thurs Aft Side Game A1. Natalie Greene-Cedric Hill A2.B1. Kay Vogler-Sherry Gerdes B2. William Boyer-Connie Harmon.

Thurs Invitational Prs A1.B1. James Hibbetts-Joyce Greinert A2.B2.C1. Joyce Gorzycki-Joyce Weedon C2/3. Nell Page-Jane Murphy C2/3. Joyce England-Elizabeth Ward.

Thurs Eve Open Prs A1.B1. Allen Wolf-Mary Thatcher A2.B2. Gary Shepley-Mack Meigs C1. R. Harold Kerr-Joanne Peddicord C2. C. Sue Semple-Sonia Bryant.

Fri Aft Open Prs A1.B1. Bobbi Kauffman-Connie Robichaux A2. Jeanette Magid-Lew Levy B2.C1. Joyce Greinert-Betty Mahoney C2. Jackie Van Keirsbelk-Miriam Burton.

Fri Eve Open Prs A1. Robert Hunter-Sylvia Thomas A2. Jolie Hess-Martha Black B1.C1. Jeffrey Kroll-Don Williams B2. Amy Wang-Fred Wang C2. Dona Hatthorn-Claire Haring.

Fri Eve Side Game A1. C. Sue Semple-Aletha Cahill-Wolf A2. Robert Grantham, Jr.-Barbara Grantham B1. Bonnie Crothers-Helen Lewis B2. Bobbi Kauffman-Connie Robichaux C1. Betty Ramey-Jane English C2/3. Sally Floyd-Mary Drew C2/3. Celina Kilpatrick-Kay Kilpatrick.

Sat Aft Open Prs A1. Catherine Prasad-Shatrugna Prasad A2. Shirley Stanton-Ed Groner B1. Ing-Tai Chen-Ming Shieh B2. Marcella Thomas-Catherine Brown C1. Lynn Mix-Christine Macfarlane C2. Catherine Miller-Hugh Miller.

Sat Aft 299er Prs A1.B1. Lynn Rafferty-Carl Estes A2.B2. Jeff Cooper-Robert Mott.

Sat Aft Side Game A1. Elaine Piwetz-Edith Reid A2.B1. Irene Baker-Mary Burnell B2. Kenneth Baker-Marie Johnson.

Sat Eve Open Prs A1. Paul Nommons-Jeanne Linzel A2. Tosi Liang-L. Travis B1.C1. Jeremy Dilbeck-Becky Moores B2. Lourdes Fletcher-Charles Peterson C2. Bob Frederick-Donna Frederick.

Sun Aft Side Game A1.B1.C1. D. Russell Long-John Bedford A2/3.B2/3. Marsha Boyer-Sherry Gerdes A2/3.B2/3.C2. Patricia Ralls-Joyce Trimble.

Sun Swiss Teams 1. Joe Quinn-Shawn Quinn-Dan Morse-Gil Micheletti A2. Jolie Hess-Martha Black-Catherine Prasad-Dianna Gittelman-Joan Sitton B1. Robert Watkins-Charles Lanni-Terry Brown-Belinda Brown B2. William Breslin-Julian Barr-Marion Collins-Sarah Webster C1. Alfred Fortier, III-Jacqueline Mcnamara-David Wicks P. Tourais.

Sun Aft Open Prs A1.B1.C1. Shi-Lin Yah-Bob Chiang A2.B2. Vinh Tran-Mike Doyle C2. Glenda Stieber-John Stieber.

Sun Eve Open Prs A1. Terry Currie-Tosi Liang A2. Mark Wallet-Pat McMullin B1. Glenda Stieber-John Stieber B2. Jere Hines-Gary Shepley.

Sun Eve Side Game A1. Leila Ziai-John Zilic A2. Jean Hiers-Donna Sparks.



Shreveport Spring Fling Sectional

April 30-May 2, 2004

Holiday Inn
5555 Financial Plaza
318.688.3000

Friday, April 30

Bracketed KO Teams #1 - 1st round	10:00 am
Stratified Open Pairs, single session	10:00 am
Stratified Novice Game, single session	10:00 am
Bracketed KO Teams #1 - 2nd round	3:00 pm
Stratified Open Pairs, single session	3:00 pm
Stratified Novice Game, single session	3:00 pm

Saturday, May 1

Bracketed KO Teams #1 - final round	10:00 am
Marie Sharpe Stratified Open Pairs, 1st session	10:00 am
Stratified Novice Game, single session	10:00 am
Marie Sharpe Stratified Open Pairs, 2nd session	3:00 pm
Stratified Novice Game, single session	3:00 pm

Sunday, May 2

Stratified Swiss Teams	10:00 am & TBA
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Gary King
299er Editor



Every skilled profession knows the limits of the tools they use. Understanding the limitations helps you apply them properly, know when to trust them completely, and when to use them in a more general way.

According to *The Encyclopedia of Bridge*, the point count system for high-card valuation that we use today was introduced by Bryan McCampbell in 1915 and later publicized by Milton Work. It is frequently referred to as "Work Point Count." To use it effectively you must understand its limitations. Realize that it is merely an estimating tool. A device to help estimate the number of potential tricks that the hand may contain.

Hand shape has much to do with the accuracy of point count. On balanced hands the tool is absolutely the most precise. With two balanced hands and 25-26 points you will be able to take 9 tricks in no trump (10 tricks with a trump suit) much more than 50% of the time. So when your hands are balanced you can trust the trick-taking prediction of point count unquestionably. However, the more unbalanced your hands, the less and less accurate this tool becomes as a predictor. Look at this extreme example:

S ----
H AKQJ1098765432
D ----
C ----

No one would question your ability to bid and make a grand slam in hearts. Yet, what level would point count indicate you contract for? Ten high-card points plus three voids at 5 points apiece for a total of 25 points. Point count predicts that you should just bid game. Should you stop using point count? The answer is no, simply learn to recognize when it is most exact and when it is less reliable. The more unbalanced your hand, the less reliable point count becomes as a trick prediction tool.

Another thing that you must understand is that all points are not created equal. For ease of memory the structure was set up as 4 points for an ace, 3 for a king, and so on. The reality is that aces and kings are worth more than the points assigned. Queens and jacks are worth slightly less than the value they are assigned. My estimate of the true value of each honor card:

Ace = 4.2 points
King = 3.1 points
Queen = 1.9 points
Jack = .8 points

Look at these two hands:

Example A	Example B
S Kxx	S Qxx
H Axx	H Qxx
D xxxx	D Qxxx
C Jxx	C Qxx

Both hands count to 8 points, yet

Example A is a much more valuable hand than is Example B. Its raw trick taking potential is simply greater.

It is too difficult to count your hand using my suggested scale. Rather, use the standard 4-3-2-1 scale and assign a "plus" or "minus" value to the point count based upon the particular honors you hold. If the hand is predominately aces/kings then it gets a "plus." If it is predominately queens/jacks then it gets a "minus." I would count Example A as 8+ and count Example B as 8-.

This plus/minus factor can be used to help make close decisions. On a hand that is just on the threshold of game values I would bid the game if my hand was "plus" and decline if my hand was "minus." Remember that "plus" means you have not given the hand all the point count value it deserves and that "minus" means you have already given it more than it is worth.

There are other factors that can be evaluated in order to determine whether a hand is a "plus" or "minus" hand.

Position of honors with respect to the bidding:

Example C	Example D
S KJx	S x
H Qxxx	H KJxx
D Kxx	D QJxx
C Qxx	C Kxxx

Example C is neutral with regard to ace/king versus queen/jack, but what if LHO bids spades? Now the value of your king and jack of spades is

questionable. It is very likely that they are in a poor position. I would value the hand at 11-. On the other hand, if RHO bids spades then the value of the king and jack of spades has increased. If RHO bids spades I would value the hand as 11+.

Example D is worth 13 points if a heart fit is present. I would value the hand at 13+ if either opponent bids spades since none of my values are wasted in the spade suit where they would be of little value to partner. I would value the hand at 13- if partner bid spades using the same rationale.

Honor cards together are worth more:

Example E	Example F
Dummy	Dummy
S Kxx	S KQx
H Qxx	H xxx

Declarer	Declarer
S xxx	S xxx
H xxx	H xxx

Both Examples E and F contain 5 points of value in the spade and heart suits combined. Yet, the trick taking potential for Example F is substantially greater.

Evaluate each in turn:
Example E is worth 1/2 spade trick (1 trick if the spade ace is with LHO and 0 tricks if the spade ace is with RHO) plus 1/4 heart trick (1 trick if the heart ace and king are both with LHO and 0 tricks if the top heart honors are split or both with RHO).

That totals to a trick taking potential of 3/4 of a trick.

Example F is worth 1 and 1/2 spade tricks (1 trick if the spade ace is with RHO and 2 tricks if the spade ace is with LHO) and 0 heart tricks.

Both examples are have a value of 5 points, but the trick taking potential of Example F is twice that of Example E. Hands where honors are predominately together in the same suit(s) are awarded a "plus." Hands where the honors are predominately separated in all the suits get a "minus."

Don't be a slave to point count. Look more closely to see how the honors relate and try to use the finer points to help you make those close decisions. Your game will be better for it. Let me hear from you.

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DALLAS

299er Spring Sectional Tournament

April 16- 18, 2004

SILVER POINTS!! **SILVER POINTS!!**

7940 Northaven Road, Dallas
Valley View Bridge Club Auditorium
Electrical Workers Union Hall

Friday, April 16, 2004

KO Teams I, 3 Sessions	9:00 am, 1:30, & 7:30 pm
299er Stratified Pairs	9:00 am, 1:30, & 7:30 pm
49er Stratified Pairs	9:00 am, 1:30, & 7:30 pm

Saturday, April 17, 2004

0 - 5 Master Points Pairs (No Card Fee!!)

Hand Discussion after Play	9:00 am
KO Teams II, 3 Sessions	9:00 am, 1:30, & 7:30 pm
299er Stratified Pairs	9:00 am, 1:30, & 7:30 pm
49er Stratified Pairs	9:00 am, 1:30, & 7:30 pm

Sunday April 18, 2004

Stratified Swiss Teams	10:00 am & TBA
299er Stratified Pairs	10:00 am & 3:00 pm

(2 single-session events)
Play any single or any two Sunday Swiss Team Events


Complimentary Snacks, Soda, Coffee
Door Prizes
A NON - Smoking Building

Teammates are available - Call Gerrie or Preston
Tournament Director - in-Charge: Lucky Snyder
Tournament Chairpersons & Partnerships:
Gerrie Owen 214-477-4181
Preston Morrow 972-484-1702


Stratifications Open Games: A:200-300; B: 100-200; C: 0-100
Stratifications 49er Games: A:0-50; B:0-20
Card Fees: Pairs & Teams \$10 per person per session
Saturday \$11-extra \$1 benefits Dallas 2006 NABC

Sunday 2:00 PM Break for Lunch-200 restaurants within 4-miles

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Justin Lall Runs Away With

2003 District 16 Junior, Youth & Sectional Masterpoint Races

(Junior = Under 26 years old * Youth = Under 19 years old)

Junior Race	Youth Race
1. Justin Lall, San Antonio 673	1. Justin Lall, San Antonio 673
2. Anton (Tony) Haddad, Houston 114	2. Lisa Burton, Austin 73
3. Nicholas Jong, Austin 86	3. Kenneth Stark, Houston 29
4. Lisa Burton, Austin 73	4. Zachary Brescoll, Mansfield 23
5. Murat Ocalan, Houston 62	5. John Souther, Wichita Falls 2
6. Brandon Carpenter, Whitehouse 61	6. Aaron Lowart, Houston 1
7. Kenneth Stark, Houston 29	7. George Morse, Sugar Land 1
8. Zachary Brescoll, Mansfield 23	8. Morgan Compton, Dallas 1
9. Adam Ruprecht, Austin 13	9. Kevin Hubbard, Sherman 1
10. Zachery Loafman, Austin 13	10. Kirsten Frazee, Arlington
11. Kyle Myers, Lubbock 11	11. Daniel Gober, Sherman
12. Yujia Li, Lubbock 7	
13. Catalina Cardenas, Houston 7	
14. Jonathan Wildstrom, Austin 4	
15. Juan Hurtado, MX 3	
16. Brett Bickel, Sherman 3	
17. Chris Kelly, Waxahachie 2	
18. Weijun Zhu, Lubbock 2	
19. James Keiger, Austin 2	
20. John Souther, Wichita Falls 2	
21. J P Sugarbroad, Austin 2	
22. Daniel Rodney, Austin 2	
23. Aaron Lowart, Houston 1	
24. George Morse, Sugar Land 1	
25. Morgan Compton, Dallas 1	
26. Kevin Hubbard, Sherman 1	
27. Aaron Marsh, San Antonio	
28. Kirsten Frazee, Arlington	
29. Daniel Gober, Sherman	
30. Ben Frey, Sherman	

Sectional Race	
1. Justin Lall, San Antonio	363
2. Hemant Lal, Plano	253
3. Paul Kelley Jr., Austin	233
4. Rosemary Kelley, Austin	218
5. Ed Rawlinson, Helotes	189
6. Petra Hamman, Dallas	181
7. Patricia Lozano, San Antonio	177
8. Greg Hinze, Grand Prairie	171
9. Linda Spangler, Duncanville	170
10. Ira Hessel, San Antonio	169
11. Scott Humphrey, Austin	157
12. James Thurtell, Dallas	148
13. Alan Copeland, Arlington	147
14. Joe Quinn, Richmond	147
15. Toni Snow, Houston	146

Unit 233
Central Texas
Helen Levy



Welcome transfers into our Unit-Frank Hefley, Lorraine Jones, Marcie Nevills, and Gene Thompson. We look forward to seeing them often at our friendly duplicate clubs.

We had a great turnout of 15 tables at the GNT Unit final for Flights B and C on February 8, with the Flt. B team of Melody Euler, Genie Kaplan, Tomi Fitzgerald and Diane Schaffer and the Flt. C team of James Hunt, Bettye Guthrie, Joyce Lynn, and Bobbie Perley in first place in the two flights.

A big "thank you" to everyone who so generously brought snacks and desserts for the day and to Mary Adams for providing the sandwiches for lunch. Our appreciation again to Gene Thompson who did a fine job of directing the game and to Dale Allen for assisting. Qualifiers should watch for the dates of the District final in Richardson in May.

Our Unit was well represented at the District NAP Final in Austin January 3 and 4 with 20 of our members participating.

Julia Bales and Raby Smalley were honored with a surprise appreciation party at the Sul Ross BC January 22, hosted by Jane and Joe Ellis. Highlight of the party was a poem written by Jane on "The Trials of the Duplicate Bridge Director."

David Pennington assisted by Mary Adams, Dick Cunningham, and Dale Allen began a six-week intermediate bridge class February 3 at the Temple CAC with around 24 players enrolling. We appreciate these instructors who are willing to share their talent to bring new members into our Unit.

Congratulations to Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney winners for 2003.

Ace of Clubs:
Rookie, 1. Jo McDaniel, 2. Susan Lambert, 3. Lynn Persons. Junior Master, 1. Lenny Hedgecoth, 2. Pat Johnson, 3. Carolyn Parker. Club Master, 1. Martha Carlson, 2. Donna Towns, 3. Rolinda Brindley. Sectional Master, 1. Tom Denson, 2. Bobbie Perley, 3. Dick Cunningham. Regional Master, 1. C. W. McCauley, 2. Walter Winters, 3. Eiko King. NABC Master, 1. Melody Euler, 2. Helen Reardon, 3. Garnell Cunningham. Life Master, 1. Lanelle Boone, 2. Mary Adams, 3. Lenora Parrish. Bronze Life Master, 1. Genie Kaplan, 2. Julia Bales, 3. Raby Smalley. Silver Life Master, 1. Tom Davis, 2. James LaFountain, 3. Richard Wall. Gold Life Master, 1. Carol Mencke, 2. Mike Bukala, 3. Peggy Phelps.

Mini-McKenney:
Rookie, 1. Jo McDaniel, 2. Susan Lambert, 3. Gary Cox. Junior Master, 1. Lenny Hedgecoth, 2. Pat Johnson, 3. Martha McKinney. Club Master, 1. Lynn Sykes, 2. Martha Carlson, 3. Rolinda Brindley. Sectional Master, 1. Dick Cunningham, 2. Mickie Damon, 3. Jim Greeney. Regional Master, 1. C. W. McCauley, 2. Walter Winters, 3. Stephen Olson. NABC Master, 1. Melody Euler, 2. Helen Reardon, 3. Garnell Cunningham. Life Master, 1. Mary Adams, 2. Lanelle Boone, 3. Lenora Parrish. Bronze Life Master, 1. Genie Kaplan, 2. David Pennington, 3. Julia Bales. Silver Life Master, 1. James LaFountain, 2. Tom Corlett, 3. Bachman Nabors. Gold Life Master, 1. Mike Miller, 2. Mike Bukala, 3. Carol Mencke.

Don't miss the Temple sectional tournament April 2-4, again in the beautiful, spacious Strasburger Hall at the CAC in Temple. David Pennington is tournament chairman and Bobbye Hays will handle partnerships. In addition to a catered meal on Sunday, Mary Adams and Rolinda Brindley will be serving up some tasty snacks and refreshments on Friday and Saturday.

It is also not too early to be making plans for the Waco sectional August 6-8. Keep those calendars posted.

Unit 176
Dallas
Bob Scallan



Congratulations to Peggy Sutherlin who became ACBL's newest Grand Life Master. Not many of these players exist in the world, and Unit 176 plays home to many of them. Congratulations also to Suresh Agrawal, Bob Scallan, Michael Hout, and John Hampton who qualified for the national NAP championship in Reno in March in Flight B. Suresh and Bob placed 2nd in the District 16 Finals in Austin in January, while Mike and John placed 3rd.

The Dallas sectional in Richardson in late January was very well attended. On Saturday, the sectional played host to many 0-20 novices, mainly through the efforts of Donna Compton, District 16 Education Liaison.

In addition, voting was held at the sectional for three members of the Board of Directors. Re-elected to the board were Ilene Greene and Mimi Zavitkovsky. The other board member is newly elected Catherine Tucker. An installation dinner was held on February 11 at the Dallas Athletic Club to install the new members formally.

Unit 176 qualifying rounds for Flights B and C in the GNT will be held at the Plano Bridge Club on Sunday, April 4 and April 25 respectively. Each round will consist of two sessions, the first beginning at 1:30 p.m. Any ACBL member who has under 2000 masterpoints as of Sept. 1, 2003 may play in Flight B. Any member who is a non-life master and has under 500 masterpoints as of Sept. 1, 2003 may play in Flight C. Unit qualifiers will then be eligible to play in the District 16 finals to be held during the Memorial Day tournament at the Richardson Civic Center May 27-31. Players in Flight A do not have to qualify at the unit level to play at the District 16 tournament.

Due to the fact that the cost of rent at the Richardson Civic Center has risen \$300 per evening, the cost of the Unit game has had to be increased to \$9 per person. The Board of Directors regrets very much having to do this. But the rise in cost was necessary to defray the loss in revenue the unit has been incurring the past couple of months. The rental fee was increased in January. The Unit game operated at a loss during the first two months. Nevertheless, the fee charged by the Civic Center is still less than that charged by other comparable locations. And we are still allowed to bring in food and drinks, something hotels, etc. would not allow.

Valley View Bridge Club will sponsor a 0-300 sectional on March 12-14 at Valley View. All non-life masters are invited to participate.

A sectionally rated pro-am game was held on Friday, February 6, at Valley View. Eighteen tables were in attendance. The format consisted of each team having two life masters playing together and two non-life masters playing together. Everyone who played had a great time.

Snacks and refreshments were served and the non-life masters appreciated a few suggestions from not only their life-master partners, but also the life masters against whom they competed. Another such game was planned a few months hence.

Unit 197
Lubbock
Sandi Krahmer

Thanks to Lexie Reese and Mozella Tew for teaching the lessons Monday nights at the Bridge Center. They have almost 20 students. Members are helping and providing goodies for the participants. Jean Westfall has been especially helpful. We hope to increase our membership by getting these people interested in joining our Unit.

We are pleased to hear that Johnnie

Sue Dayton is recovering from some recent surgery. Also, we are sad to report the death of Ruth Farmer in December.


Congratulations to Rose Terry who won the Texas Star Award for our Unit. Rose has been a member since the 60's and is one of our most active directors. She directs Monday, Wednesday and Friday and often finds partners for people playing in those games. I don't think I have ever met anyone as unflappable as Rose who can let the water run off her back like a duck and never let anyone or anything ruffle her feathers. She just goes on with her job and lets nothing bother her. Her calm demeanor has added to the enjoyment of the game by many of us. We are so lucky to have her.

Many thanks to Betty Lowmiller for directing our Sunday Unit game and all our team games. Betty was our first Texas Star winner.

Also, thanks to the many people working on our Regional. Mozella and Sammie are working hard as the chairs, and Inez, Jean, and Rose are doing their part along with Mary Ann Anthony. Also, thanks to Carol Schoenhals for making the schedule. We hope you will all come to play.

That's all for now.

Unit 353
Wichita Falls
Susan Brower



Searching for signs of spring, intrepid Wichitans headed for points west and south recently. The first group of four, Gene and Helen Probst and Ronnie and Stefan Davis arrived at the Albuquerque Regional in January with light hearts and left a few days later heavily laden with gold points and winners' titles.

The team was runner up in the Knock-Outs (StratB), then finished first of 64 teams in the Swiss Teams contest. Gene and Helen took second in the Open Pairs 0-3000 Strat, while Ronnie and Stefan garnered the win in the 199er pairs. Winning well over 40 gold points brought great big warm, springy smiles to all their faces-Congratulations to all four of you on these significant bridge achievements.

A second group of 14 that included good friend, Delois Nell, who relocated to Austin a few months ago headed for Galveston to embark on a Caribbean cruise. All envisioned sunny days of lounging on deck then drifting down to play a leisurely game or two of bridge courtesy of Kathleen Brown who brought along all the boards and necessary supplies.

Instead, the ship was chock full of activities that kept everyone running in so many directions that bridge soon became almost the last thing on anyone's mind. JoAnn Stokes was spotted on deck lounging with a book while Wanda Gaynor was line dancing by the pool; Cula Burch, Donna Biggs and Jean Warman paid some serious attention to the shops and Carolyn Kay was first on the spot whenever a show was about to begin.

Marie Lankford said that she, Shirley Donnell and Dee and Joe McKinley did get to play a foursome one day, but there have been few other reports of bridge activity. There were, however, reports of lots more of those big, warm, springy smiles from the returning cruisers.

On the home front, Annetta Vaccarella hosted an 80th birthday party for husband Leon at the Saturday bridge game at the Bridge Club. With birthday cake, barbecue, balloons, and bridge what more could a guy want for a celebration and "a good time was had by all."

Thank goodness this party was before Annetta broke her ribs (for the fifth time!) and fingers in a backyard fall. Ever the trooper, she is doing well now and says those fingers will just have to hold cards, broken or not!

See you all at the bridge table.

Unit 187
Corpus Christi
Dee Schade

Way to go Martha DeCou! Unit 187 is so proud of you, our Texas Star recipient. In case you don't know, Martha was a new player when she first joined the unit. She rose rapidly, improving her game from the beginning. She attained Silver Life Master status last November at the Corpus Christi Regional. Martha has accepted responsible positions from the very onset of her bridge career and has done an exemplary job each time. In fact I don't think she has ever said no when asked to do something. She is presently tournament coordinator for the unit and special games chairperson. She has served on the Board for many years, is a past president and has chaired so many tournaments, we've lost track. In addition to all these things, she is a genuinely nice person. Her table presence is always friendly and encouraging to new comers. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could clone her!

The beginning of the year always seems like a quiet time in the bridge world, but some nice things have been happening. We want to welcome our winter Texans, some repeats whom we love and some newcomers, whom we hope to see again next year! We won't try to name them because we don't want to leave anyone out. Just know we enjoy your company and hope you enjoy ours.

Winners of the the unit team game in January were Georgene Fuller, Edy Laser, Betty Marriett and Ulla Skovdal. Second place went to Bev Estes, Stanley Gimpleson, Mahesh Maruvada

and Ven Shellberg. Congratulations to all!

Barbara Estes and Fran Hillin have started their beginning bridge classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We hope to see lots of new duplicate players from this group. Please encourage people that play bridge or that would like to learn to play to talk to Barbara or Fran about becoming involved. It's just fair to keep this game to ourselves!

Tom Hays and Mary Tryer were the winners of the Kingsville Christmas Party and Junior Fund Game. They also won the ACBL International Fund Game No.1 in November. Hey Kingsville players, give these two a challenge!

It's time for unit elections. Don't let the national politicians overshadow us. Powell Hines is chairperson of the nominating committee. By the time you read this column you should have received and RETURNED your ballot. Winners will be announced at the Rockport Tournament March 12-14 and the new board will assume their duties in June.

Speaking of tournaments the new Rockport Beach Sectional is shaping up to be a really great one. Martha DeCou and her crew of workers are busy seeing to all details. There will be lots of hospitality and a wonderful playing area. Come on down or up and join us for a good time!

Mark your calendars and get your team together for unit 187 Grand National Team qualifying. It will be held at Jack's Bridge Club on Saturday, April 24, at 1:30 p.m. with the second session time to be announced. This is always a fun event and the qualifiers will be eligible to go to the district finals in Richardson on Memorial Day weekend.



Heart Of Texas Temple Sectional

April 2-4, 2004

Cultural Activities Center
3011 North 3rd Street
Exit 303B from I-35S; Exit 303 from I-35N
Temple, Texas 254.773.9926

Friday, April 2

Bktd KO Teams	9:00 am, 1:00 & 7:00 pm
Stratified Pairs, single sessions	1:00 & 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 3

Bktd KO Teams	9:00 am, 1:00 & 7:00 pm
Stratified Pairs, single sessions	1:00 & 7:00 pm

Sunday, April 4

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams	10:00 am & TBA
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Stratifications

Open Pairs: A: 1500+, B: 500-1500, C: 0-500
Swiss Team: A: 2500+, X: 0-2500 (play together)
B: 300-1500, C: 0-300 (play together)

Play in Beautiful Strasburger Hall
Lots of free coffee & snacks all three days
Refreshments Friday & Saturday evenings
Meal between sessions Sunday

<p style="text-align: center;">Host Hotel</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LaQuinta Inn 1604 West Barton Ave. 254.771.2980 I-35 Northbound Exit 301 Adams Ave. Access road north, right on Barton Ave.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Entry Fees</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$9/person \$80/team \$9.50/non-members</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Tournament Chairman</p> <p style="text-align: center;">David Pennington 254.773.1736</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Partnerships</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bobbye Hays 254.780.3410 banddmpr@vvm.com</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hospitality</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mary Adams & Rolinda Brindley</p>
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Zero Tolerance! Non-Smoking Tournament
Unit 233 Sectional Sanction #0404031



Eddie Wold

2003 District 16 Top 100 Masterpoint Winners Eddie Wold Tops Men's List Tobi Sokolow Wins Women's Race



Tobi Sokolow

1. Eddie Wold, Houston	3098	26. Sally Wheeler, Spring	501	51. Ed Rawlinson, Helotes	357	76. Paul Nimmons, Houston	291
2. Mike Passell, Plano	2912	27. Joan Jackson, Dallas	491	52. Joe Quinn, Richmond	352	77. Gary Shepley, Houston	290
3. Nagy Kamel, Plano	1038	28. Miguel Reygadas, MX	490	53. Paul Kelley Jr., Austin	345	78. Howard Tureff, Allen	289
4. Bob Hamman, Dallas	1005	29. Terry Currie, Houston	462	54. Jeanette Magid, Houston	341	79. Norman Beck, Dallas	286
5. John Sutherlin, Dallas	959	30. Barry Schaffer, Frisco	458	55. Carolyn Fox, Houston	340	80. James La Fountain, Temple	282
6. Malcolm Brachman, Dallas	899	31. Linda Spangler, Duncanville	450	56. John Erickson, Houston	339	81. Aiyandar Bharathi, Beaumont	281
7. Dan Morse, Houston	868	32. Bart Bramley, Dallas	450	57. Pat McMullin, Houston	339	82. Judy Kay-Wolff, Dallas	279
8. Bobby Wolff, Dallas	831	33. Buddy Hanby, Spring	440	58. Koy Bass, San Antonio	338	83. William White, Arlington	276
9. Tobi Sokolow, Austin	828	34. Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton	435	59. James Bauer, Dallas	335	84. Sidney Lazard, Dallas	275
10. Thomas Peters, Grapeland	818	35. Rosemary Kelley, Austin	423	60. Tarek Radjef, Dallas	333	85. Diane Olson, San Antonio	273
11. Hemant Lall, Plano	792	36. George Pisk, Manchaca	417	61. Alexander Kolesnik, Austin	332	86. Donna Watkins, San Antonio	272
12. Shawn Quinn, Richmond	697	37. Carolyn Jackson, Sugar Land	408	62. David Sokolow, Austin	332	87. Robbie Borchers, N. Braunfels	272
13. Robert Morris, Houston	688	38. Steve Shirey, Fort Worth	408	63. Carolyn Pinto, Fort Worth	325	88. Nancy Kornegay, NRichlnd Hls	269
14. Greg Hinze, Grand Prairie	684	39. Thomas Lennon, Woodlands	401	64. Pat Levy, Houston	323	89. Randy Ausmus, Fort Worth	269
15. Justin Lall, San Antonio	673	40. Jeanne Linzel, Stafford	400	65. Stephen Kornegay, NRichlnd Hls	320	90. Annette McCarty, Irving	268
16. John Zilic, Houston	661	41. Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas	392	66. Tosi Liang, Houston	319	91. Pat Ellison, Lubbock	264
17. Gail Wells, Plano	658	42. James Thurtell, Dallas	391	67. Ron Woodsum, Houston	317	92. Nancy Smalley, Beaumont	263
18. Chris Compton, Dallas	657	43. James Griffin, Austin	384	68. John Smalley, Beaumont	313	93. Esta Van Zandt, Houston	262
19. Mildred Breed, Austin	646	44. Bill Staats, Southlake	375	69. Ira Hessel, San Antonio	309	94. Mike Bukala, Waco	258
20. Michael Walrath, Keller	638	45. Lynn Baker, Austin	372	70. George Fox, Houston	309	95. Jay Gibson, Benbrook	256
21. Carolyn Peters, Grapeland	597	46. Patricia Lozano, San Antonio	364	71. Patricia Griffin, Austin	309	96. Bryan Storey, Plano	256
22. Edward Groner, Houston	582	47. Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie	362	72. Ann Brinker Schwall, Houston	308	97. Marion Gebhardt, Richardson	254
23. George Rosenkranz, MX	558	48. Jeff Olson, Dallas	359	73. Thomas Hughes Jr., Fort Worth	302	98. Gloria Crites, Midland	252
24. Petra Hamman, Dallas	543	49. Mike Miller, Temple	359	74. Melody Gann, Arlington	296	99. Carol Schoenhals, Lubbock	252
25. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio	511	50. Jolie Hess, Houston	358	75. Toni Snow, Houston	295	100. Derrell Childs, Garland	252

Richardson Civic Center

Richardson, Texas

Southwest Corner of Arapaho and Highway 75 (Central Expressway)

Dallas Memorial Day Sectional & GNT District 16 Finals May 27-31, 2004

Thursday, May 27

0-20 PAIRS	7:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs	7:30 pm
Stratified 299er Pairs	7:30 pm
Bracketed KO I (continues Friday at 1:30 & 7:30)	7:30 pm

Friday, May 28

0-20 PAIRS	1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions	1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified 299er Pairs, single sessions	1:30 & 7:30 pm
Bracketed KO Teams I (semi-final & final)	1:30 & 7:30 pm

Saturday, May 29

0-5 PAIRS FREE ENTRIES	9:00 am
<i>Special Speaker to discuss hands from morning session.</i>	
0-20 PAIRS	9:00 am & 1:30 pm
Bracketed KO Teams II	9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified 299er Pairs, single sessions	9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Strati-Flighted Open Pairs, single sessions	1:30 & 7:30 pm
GNT Qualifying (2 Sessions)	1:30 & 7:30 pm

Sunday, May 30

0-20 PAIRS	1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions	1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified 299er Pairs, single sessions	1:30 & 7:30 pm
Compact KO (Bracketed) Teams	1:30 & 7:30 pm
GNT Finals (2 Sessions)	1:30 & 7:30 pm

Monday, May 31

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams	10:00 am & TBA
299er Swiss Teams	10:00 am & TBA
GNT Finals (If Needed)*	10:00 am & TBA

Stratifications

Strati-Fltd: A: Unlimited, AX: 0-3000 (A & AX play together)
 B: 0-2000, C: 0-500 (B & C play together)
 Stratified: A: Unlimited, B: 0-2000, C: 0-500
 299er Stratified: A: 0-300, B: 0-100, C: 0-50

Complimentary

Snacks and Drinks Every Session!

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**Great Meal Will Be Provided on
Monday Between Rounds!**

Tournament Chair

Gerrie Owen 214.477.4181

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Larue Stott 214.369.9576

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Tom Whitesides

Host Hotel

Holiday Inn Select

1615 North Central Expressway

Richardson, TX

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Ask for Bridge Rates!

Entry Fees

\$10/person/session \$11/person/session on Saturday

The extra \$1 on Saturday is for the Dallas Nationals to be held in 2006

\$90/Swiss Team

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR GNT ATTENDEES

Pre-registration for the GNT event is requested. Unit GNT Coordinators and/or players need to contact Sandy Campbell at 214.766.2571 before attending. Provide her with your planned flight, the names, ACBL numbers and approximate masterpoints of your team members along with the phone number for captain. This will insure a good and quick start on Saturday.

THIS INCLUDES ALL PLAYERS IN ALL FLIGHTS.

Flights B & C must qualify at Unit level to play in this event.

GNT Flights: A: 0-5000, B: 0-2000, C: NLM - less than 500

**If needed, based on number of teams entered in each flight.*

King Cotton REGIONAL

April 27 – May 2, 2004

Civic Center

1501 6th Street - Lubbock, Texas
Non-smoking with smoke breaks

Tuesday, April 27

Bracketed KO #1 (1 & 2 of 4)	1 & 7 pm
Stratified Open Pairs	1 & 7 pm
Stratified 299er Pairs (single sessions)	1 & 7 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (1 of 5)	1 pm
Evening Side Game Series (1 of 5)	7 pm

Wednesday, April 28

Bracketed KO #2 (1 of 4)	9 am
Bracketed KO #1 (3 & 4 of 4)	1 & 7 pm
Bracketed KO #3 (1 & 2 of 4)	1 & 7 pm
Stratified Open Pairs	1 & 7 pm
Stratified 299er Pairs (single sessions)	1 & 7 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (2 of 5)	1 pm
Evening Side Game Series (2 of 5)	7 pm

Thursday, April 29

Bracketed KO #2 (2 of 4)	9 am
Bracketed Compact KO #1 (1 of 2)	9 am
Bracketed KO #3 (3 & 4 of 4)	1 & 7 pm
Stratified Swiss Teams	1 pm & TBA
Stratified Senior Pairs (1 & 2 of 2)	1 & 7 pm
Stratified 299er Pairs (single sessions)	1 & 7 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (3 of 5)	1 pm
Evening Side Game Series (3 of 5)	7 pm

Friday, April 30

Bracketed KO #2 (3 of 4)	9 am
Bracketed Compact KO #1 (2 of 2)	9 am
Bracketed KO #4 (1 & 2 of 4)	1 & 7 pm
Stratified Open Pairs	1 & 7 pm
Stratified 299er Pairs (single sessions)	1 & 7 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (4 of 5)	1 pm
Evening Side Game Series (4 of 5)	7 pm

Saturday, May 1

Bracketed KO #2 (4 of 4)	9 am
Bracketed KO #5 (1,2 & 3 of 3)	9 am, 1 & 7 pm
Bracketed KO #4 (3 & 4 of 4)	1 & 7 pm
Stratified Open Pairs	1 & 7 pm
Stratified 299er Pairs	1 & 7 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (5 of 5)	1 pm
Evening Side Game Series (5 of 5)	7 pm

Sunday, May 2

Stratified Fast Pairs (1 & 2 of 2)	10 am & TBA
Flight A Swiss Teams	10 am & TBA
(A1: 2000+, A2: 0-2000)	
Stratified B/C/D Swiss Teams	10 am & TBA
(B: 1000-1500, C: 500-1000, D: 0-500)	
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams	10 am & TBA

Stratified Open Events A: (1500+), B: (1000-1500), C: (500-1000), D: (0-500)

Stratified 299er Events A: (200-300), B: (100-200), C: (0-100)

Side Game Series are multi-session events awarding gold points. Must play at least two sessions in any one Side Game Series. Best two sessions in each series wins gold points. Must play at least two sessions in any side game series to qualify for gold and overalls. May play with different partners. May play as many sessions as you wish.

A meal will be served between sessions on Sunday.

To be eligible for free meal, must play at least two sessions that day.

Host Hotels in Lubbock

(Ask for Bridge Rates)

Sheraton Four Points

505 Avenue Q

800.325.3535 (\$72 Single or Double)

Holiday Inn Towers

801 Avenue Q

806.763.1200 (\$84 Single or Double)

Ashmore Inn

4019 S. Loop 289

800.785.0061 (\$60 Flat, Free Breakfast)

La Quinta

601 Avenue Q

806.763.9491 (\$62)

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