

# District 16 Scorecard

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## TOURNEYS, TOURNEYS, TOURNEYS!

There's a zillion tournament announcements (well, 12, plus a mention of the next two NABCs & the Royal STaC in November) in this edition of Scorecard. Get out and play now, because we need more f2f participation. There is one online regionally-rated event mentioned, because some of you may also want to play online. Plus, it does give gold points!

This edition is pubbing a bit later than usual, because we wanted to announce our 2022 Jacoby winner in this issue. ***Congratulations, Ed Rawlinson from our San Antonio Unit 172!***

*See pp 3 - 4*

## PICK A TOURNEY & GO PLAY!

- ✓ *Fall into Bridge Online Regionally Rated, 9/15- 9/18\**
- ✓ *Monterrey Fall Sectional – 9/21-9/24*
- ✓ *Austin Fall Sectional – 9/22 - 9/25*
- ✓ *Houston BCOH 499er/NLM Sectional – 10/6-10/9*
- ✓ *San Antonio Election Sectional – 10/12 - 10/15*
- ✓ *Denton Fall NLM Sectional – 10/14 - 10/16*
- ✓ *Beaumont Gusher Regional – 10/17 - 10/23\**
- ✓ *Fort Western Sectional – 10/28 - 10/30*
- ✓ *Houston Halloween Sectional – 10-28 - 10/30*
- ✓ *Puerta Vallarta Regional – 10/31 - 11/6\**
- ✓ *Dallas Fall Sectional – 11/2-11/5*
- ✓ *Austin NLM -750 Sectional –11/5 - 11/6*

\* Regionally rated (black, red, gold) events

Except for the NABCs, all the tournaments have flyers in this edition. Just click on a name to go to the particular flyer page of the event you're interested in.

***Plan on playing in at least one!***



# A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

**Betty Starzec**



The Board of Directors meeting in Austin passed some important motions that we hope will encourage potential bridge participation by younger players in our district.

The first is district participation in funding BridgeWhiz, a free

online course designed to teach children in grades 4 through 12 the essentials of bridge. Robert Todd, President of the ACBL Educational Foundation, explained the program in detail. It is introduced to schools via a marketing company called Peach Jar. The district approved \$4,000 to fund the program for 297 high schools throughout the district. You can find information about BridgeWhiz through the ACBL Educational Foundation site: (<https://bridgewhiz.org/>).

To complement this program, the district passed a second motion regarding junior players participating in district sectional and regional tournaments. Currently, the ACBL recommends ½ price entries for junior players (under 26 years). This recommendation has been in place for many years. The district will now reimburse the unit for the ½ entry cost back to the unit. Therefore, if the entry is \$12, the junior entry is \$6. The junior will now play for free and the district will reimburse the unit the \$6 fee.

It is our hope that this will encourage more participation in our sectional and regional tournaments by junior players.

Congratulations to everyone who did well in Providence, especially the Goldman Grand National Teams, Flight A. The District 16 team of Pawel Hanus, Carrollton, Ari Sippola, Richardson, James Zhan and Ying Peng, both of Sugar Land, finished second in the competition.

Also congratulations to Hemant Lall, Dallas, whose team was tied for 3/4 in the Championship Flight. The team also included Finn Kolesnik, Los Angeles/Austin.

Congratulations as well to Kristen Onsgard, District 16 Secretary, who became an ABTA Master Teacher in Providence (see pg 4).

Massive kudos to Paul Cuneo who has produced the monthly district's Intermediate-Novice Newsletter for numerous years. With Paul's many responsibilities for the ACBL as Region 9 director and a trustee for the ACBL Education Foundation, he has decided to step down. Lauri Laufman has graciously agreed to produce this newsletter for our newer players! Many thanks, Lauri!

Patricia Herrera, District Education Chair, will now handle the District Lecture Series. Patricia is very well suited to handle this extremely important responsibility for our district. She has planned to add a third week of lectures each month which will be in Spanish. So, the first week will focus on beginners, second week on intermediates and third week in Spanish. Many thanks, Patricia! Thanks as well to Thomas Rush who has handled this responsibility since its inception.

The ACBL decided that the recent Royal STaCs that were held across the organization were so well received that they are allowing district participation in another Royal STaC this year. Tomi Storey, District STaC Coordinator, has received a sanction for November 14-20. So, plan on attending games at your local clubs to cash in!

*Hope to have seen many of you at  
the Dallas Labor Day Regional!*

**Betty Starzec**  
President, District 16



# 2022 OSWALD AND JAMES JACOBY SERVICE AWARD WINNER, ED RAWLINSON

Ed Rawlinson was the recipient of the 2022 Oswald and James Jacoby Service Award at the Dallas Labor Day Regional.

The Jacoby Award is District 16's premier Service Award. It is designed to honor those volunteers who have worked diligently at the unit level and risen to recognition at the district level after many years of outstanding service.

The following is the nomination submitted by the San Antonio Bridge League, Unit 172 on his behalf:

*We are especially proud of his service to the District as the representative from our Unit.*

*He has served as the chair of the Education Committee and has implemented online resources for District teachers and students, including original and solicited instructional materials, supported efforts to increase teacher training throughout the District and to make resources available to them.*

*He also serves on the Teacher of the Year committee for the District and has volunteered to assist in development of a Policies and Procedures Manual for the District, a job he is well qualified to perform. He also represents Unit 172 for the D-16 Board of Directors.*

*Ed began playing bridge in high school in 1959, and shortly thereafter joined the local bridge club in Kingsville, Texas. He has been an active member of*



2022 Jacoby Award Winner, Ed Rawlinson, with presenter, Betty Starzec

*Unit 172 for over 50 years, serving on the Board of Directors for many of those years. He has served as Treasurer and President.*

*For the last decade or more, he has done most of the tournament scheduling and sanction approvals, was instrumental in creating and maintaining our Policies and Procedure Manuals, has hosted numerous Unit games, and has chaired the Regional tournament.*





*He has done a terrific job as Editor of The Winning Finessed for many years. His service to the Unit has been tireless and exceptional.*

*He has been actively involved in our Mentor-Mentee program from the beginning. He is always willing to play with new players and is an outstanding bridge teacher, offering his services as guest lecturer at many events. Several years ago, he created a lending library for the Unit, cataloging hundreds of books and was voted Teacher of the Year in 2020 by District 16.*

*Ed spent most of his career in education and retired as Superintendent of Schools for*

*the Northside Independent School District. So respected, the District named a middle school in his honor.*

*On top of all his other talents, Ed is an excellent cook and for decades has offered dinner and bridge for 4 or 8 at his home as a door prize for Unit games.*

*Ed is a tremendous asset to our Unit and to the District. He is the consummate volunteer and does an outstanding job at whatever task he undertakes.*



Jim Bauer, 2021 Jacoby Award recipient, was also recognized before his home unit. Jim was awarded this honor at Houston's award presentations last January as the 2021 Labor Day Regional was not held.



The 2021 Jacoby Award Winner, Jim Bauer, with presenter, Betty Starzec





## UNITS REQUESTED TO SUBMIT RECIPIENT NAMES FOR DISTRICT 16 STAR AND GOODWILL AWARDS

### *December 31st Deadline*

All units of District 16 are requested to submit the names of the recipients of their District 16 Star Award and their District 16 Goodwill Awards to Awards Chair, Betty Starzec, by December 31, at [lstarzec@comcast.net](mailto:lstarzec@comcast.net). The recipients will be presented their awards at the *Houston Lone Star Regional on Saturday, January 28, 2023*, between the morning and afternoon session. Awards for those not presented will be sent to the Unit President.

### **DISTRICT STAR AWARD**

This award honors those unit volunteers who work steadfastly at the unit level to promote bridge and to further unit activities in their own unit. Selection for this award is the decision of each unit board. When your unit has selected the recipient, please send Betty the name along with a short bio and their picture. **Please remember...a unit member may only be awarded this recognition one time.**

### **DISTRICT GOODWILL AWARDS**

This award is intended to recognize and honor those unit players who exhibit a spirit of courtesy, kindness and tact at the bridge table. These individuals are our ambassadors of goodwill to all other players. Each unit board has the opportunity to select two Goodwill Award recipients.

***When your unit has selected the recipients, please send Betty their names ( [lstarzec@comcast.net](mailto:lstarzec@comcast.net) ).***

***Please remember...a unit member may only be awarded this recognition one time.***

***Recipients of these awards will be notified in January in order that may possibly attend the regional to receive their awards in person.***

### **PUBLICATION NOTE:**

For comments, content omissions and error reporting, or any other information you might need or want to note, please email me:

[D16-ScorecardEditor@twc.com](mailto:D16-ScorecardEditor@twc.com)

The next edition of Scorecard will be published in November, 2022.  
Content submissions are due by October 15th.

If for whatever reason you need more time, please let me know in advance so I can plan space.

If you know of anyone who is not receiving Scorecard, have them email me and I'll make sure they are sent a copy.





# DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S REPORT, REGION 9

**Paul Cuneo**



**AUGUST 15, 2022**

Providence was a great venue for the NABC which had 7,463 tables continuing the increase in NABC table count with each NABC.

The convention center space was great and the hotel connected to a

shopping mall by an overhead bridge. There were lots of restaurants within walking distance.

Membership continues to decline at about 5.8% per year, through June 30. The Board approved \$100,000 to boost beginner bridge classes by purchasing advertising for teachers. The pilot for this project is underway and we'll begin with a few teachers whose classes start mid to later September and then expand in the new year. I'm excited about this project and working with the taskforce that is leading it.

The project is a joint effort by ACBL and the ACBL Educational Foundation and is being led by Robert Todd, President of the foundation.

The Code of Disciplinary Regulations was amended to include the forfeiture of masterpoints and titles for members found guilty of first, degree ethical violations that result in the expulsion or suspension of the offender for two or more years. Furthermore, those members would be permanently ineligible to be awarded the ACBL rank of Grand Life Master and permanently ineligible to be inducted into the ACBL Hall of Fame. Offenders who are Grand Life Masters and/or are members of the ACBL Hall of Fame would be stripped of these distinctions.

Progress on the development of EDGAR continues and we hope to have it online this fall to

actively detect cheating in online sanctioned events.

The Board approved a proposed bylaw change to replace the position of Chairman of the Board with Vice President. I have advocated for this change since joining the board in 2017. I believe that it is better to have a Vice President who is learning the duties of the President than a chairman who has served as President to fill, in for the President when needed which is very rare.

There is nothing that requires the Board to elect the Vice President as President. This model is used by a very large majority of corporations, both profit and nonprofit organizations. Titles vary as some prefer President to Chairman, but the concept is the same. As a bylaw change it requires two votes of a 2/3 majority of the board and then goes to the Advisory Council for their approval. The vote was 17 – 3 in favor.

Overall, ACBL financial performance is on track with budget which has a projected loss of \$850,000. This is due to increased spending on Information Technology projects that have been approved but staffing issues prevented progress for the past two years and marketing efforts to rebuild membership.

I continue to be concerned that that face-to-face table counts are not sufficient to allow clubs to play in leased or rented space that is entirely devoted to the club. Online VACB games for most clubs have declined since the first of the year, which makes the situation even more dire for rent-paying clubs. The new initiative to help teachers increase beginner class size may be a big boost for clubs.

The ACBL Educational Foundation meeting was held following the ACBL Board meeting. Robert Todd was elected President and Joel Kramer Vice President. Allison Freeland was elected Treasurer. I had decided to resign from the position of Treasurer after serving for three years as I feel



that I'd contributed what I could to the position. I will continue to serve on the Finance committee and I've joined the Program committee where I will be involved with program evaluation.

Bridge Whiz is gearing up for its 2<sup>nd</sup> year with a lot of learning and positive changes. We had 429 students "graduate" from the program in its first year and are confident that number will significantly increase in year 2. District 16 has provided funds

to increase contact with more parents in an effort to increase enrollment in the program.

**Paul Cuneo**  
District Director



## A LITTLE INFO ON EDGAR

### Electronic Data Gathering and Anti, cheating Radar

People cheat at bridge, in person and online. Either way, it's pretty hard to detect, especially when playing electronically. Solutions to the problem have been limited, with no way to determine whether it's actually happening, unless a partnership is potentially reported and then watched for a long, long time. What other ways have there been? Pretty much, none.

*There have been no real solutions...until now.*

Introducing EDGAR, a software application designed to ferret out partnerships that win by cheating, without pointing a finger at innocent players. Developed by A.J. Stephani, Brian Platnick, and Franco Baseggio, EDGAR uses mathematical probability to find those who do cheat and protect the rest of us.

Most of you have heard of NUMB3RS, a tv series based on actual events. In that, a college mathematics professor helps his FBI agent brother solve crime using mathematical probability to identify how likely an event will occur or how likely it is that something is true or false.

In other words, we can use math to identify recurring patterns and also determine whether something is completely random.

*From the Bridgewinners article from April 9th:*

*"EDGAR" will allow bridge organizations to scan thousands of cases and look for telltale signs of cheating...Instead of identifying single hands that look suspicious in a vacuum, EDGAR will be able to identify whether funny, looking bridge decisions are representative of a larger pattern or constitute a one-off aberration.... We believe that players will have confidence in EDGAR's ability to identify cheaters without raising suspicion of innocent players."*

Read the entire article here: [https://bridgewinners.com/article/view/introducing\\_edgar/](https://bridgewinners.com/article/view/introducing_edgar/)





# ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT

**Tomi Storey**



The meeting was held at the Providence NABC and by Zoom for those unable to attend in person. Unfortunately, our Zoom platform connections continue to have issues and a significant number of online participants were unable to contribute.

I want to thank Steve

Moese, the vice, chair of the AC (Advisory Council), for his invaluable assistance in reporting the meeting to those unable to attend.

The highlights of the meeting addressed the stabilization of membership, getting players back to face to face (F2F) play, and improving IT.

- Membership is down 5.8% over one year ago. Active F2F club estimates show that only 52% of past F2F clubs are operating now, based on numbers from 2019. To give you an idea on a monthly scale, we have 80,000 players a month at clubs, as opposed to 110,000 in 2019.
- Tournaments are still taking a downturn as well. The Spring NABC in Reno had 6,204 tables, down 11% from a projected budget. At the time of this meeting, profitability in Providence was uncertain. Based on 2019 figures, we are having 37% fewer regionals and YTD, 67% fewer tables. I'm going to start referring to 2019 as 2019 BC (before Covid). We need to find humor somewhere in this situation. ACBL tournament revenue is down 34% and 2022 net assets (that's operations) is down \$250K vs. budget.
- IT has reported improvements in Entry Express (you can now purchase entries for Regionals online prior to the event), improved tournament data, and improved Masterpoint statistics. There are several analytics and visualization projects underway involving Club play, NAP Qualifiers,

Membership Retention and more. Unfortunately, management is still dealing with high level turnover within IT staff.

- ACBL Intro to Bridge 4 Teachers. 1500+ students. 857 completed. 245 (28%) of those became guest members and 96 (39%) of those became new members.

Let me say that the AC meeting was convened and held immediately after a general membership meeting. There was not a quorum for that, and I will not report on it here as it is not part of the Advisory Council Meeting, but a great portion of the discussion covered the huge schism between vaccination and anti-vaccinations. This continues to be a major issue. At the time I am writing this, the ACBL continues to follow the CDC guidelines for the location of the tournament for masking, and vaccinations are still required.

Other matters under discussion within the Board of Directors were addressed in the AC:

- EDGAR is in online stage 2 testing. This is an online cheating detection program. The tools are being developed by a non, profit in conjunction with people associated with the ACBL.
- Pilot Membership Recruitment Program for Teachers. A proposal was made that ACBL should fund teachers who are effective at creating new ACBL members since marketing is primarily concerned with retaining members Advisory Council will help ACBL find teachers who are most effective.
- Nominations were made for the AC positions ending 12/31/22. Doug Couchman was nominated as AC Chair, Steve Moese, and Vice, chair and Barb Doran as Secretary. Elections will take place at the Fall NABC in Phoenix.

In closing, the formation of a new committee was announced – an ad hoc Committee to identify







how we can stem the loss of people experienced with running tournaments, as well as bringing in knowledgeable volunteers. The AC hopes to aid in a series of workshops about tournament best practices run by current experts. Paul Cuneo D16 and Greg Coles will be part of this committee. All D16's AC representatives – Betty Starzec, Nancy Strohmer, and Tomi Storey, volunteered to serve. We will certainly keep you posted on this and welcome suggestions from you.

As always, your Advisory Council members welcome your thoughts on any topic. I heard from a

few you after the last Scorecard and I truly appreciate the feedback.

*I hope to have seen you at the Dallas Labor Day Regional and beyond!*

**Tomi Storey**  
Advisory Council  
[Skeeter303@yahoo.com](mailto:Skeeter303@yahoo.com)



ABTA Committee Chair, Kathie Macnab, Vic Quiros, Kristen Onsgard and Ginny Schuett

## **NEW ABTA MASTER TEACHER KRISTEN ONGSARD**

*Kristen Onsgard became an ABTA Master Teacher at the American Bridge Teachers Association's convention in Providence prior to the start of the NABC. The designation of Master Teacher is the highest teaching recognition in the bridge community.*

**CONGRATULATIONS KRISTEN!**





# A CHANCE TO THANK A TEACHER

## Ed Rawlinson



A great bridge teacher gets us hooked, helps us grow, and helps the bridge community grow.

District 16 annually recognizes teaching excellence with its **Teacher of the Year Award**.

*District 16 members may make nominations until November 30, 2022.*

To be considered for the award teachers must:

- Have taught bridge for at least 5 years and at least 50 hours in the past year.
- Be an individual teacher, not only a team teacher.
- Not be a previous winner.
- Reside in District 16 and be an ACBL member in good standing.

The nominator must describe why they are nominating the teacher.

*Nominations must be submitted to Ed Rawlinson, Teacher of the Year Chair, at [edrawlinson@satx.rr.com](mailto:edrawlinson@satx.rr.com).*

In December, the ToY Chair notifies the nominees of their nomination and requests additional information about their teaching philosophy and techniques. In January a ToY Committee evaluates the nominations and selects a winner. The winner will be recognized during the January 2023 Houston Regional.

**Ed Rawlinson**

Teacher of the Year Chair



# MONTERREY FALL SECTIONAL

Centro de Bridge Margara Garza Sada

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**bridge**  
margara garza sada

Ricardo Margain 440-503 Edificio Sofia  
San Pedro, Garza Garca, NL 66267

September 21 - 24, 2022



4 day sectional

Silver points  
awarded  
to winners

Tournament Leader: Patricia Cantu 8120912294/8115774745 pcantu@bridgemgs.com

Tournament Director: Michael Farebrother

**Hotel NH Collection  
Monterrey, San Pedro**

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Av. Jose Vasconcelos 402  
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NL, Mexico 66268

Sectional Bridge Code:  
2200682695

Single or double room

w/o breakfast \$ 2,000 mxn  
with breakfast \$ 2,370 mxn

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Monterrey, San Pedro**

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Col. Valle del Campestre  
San Pedro, Garza Garca  
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[www.jwmarriottmonterrey.com](http://www.jwmarriottmonterrey.com)

Sectional Bridge Code:  
Centro de Bridge

Room \$ 225.00 usd

## Wednesday, September 21

10:00 am 0-199 Session 1  
200+ Session 1

3:30 pm 0-199 Session 2  
200+ Session 2

## Friday, September 23

10:00 am 0-199 Session 1 of 2  
200+ Session 1 of 2

3:30 pm 0-199 Session 2 of 2  
200+ Session 2 of 2

Side game at each session

## Thursday, September 22

10:00 am 0-199 Session 1  
200+ Session 1

3:30 pm 0-199 Session 2  
200+ Session 2

## Saturday, September 24

10:00 am Swiss Teams  
Open Side Game

Playthrough, lunch included for both  
Swiss teams and Open side game  
Finish around 5 pm

## Stratification

0-199 Pairs:	A: 100-199	B: 50-99	C: 0-49
Open Pairs:	A: Unl	B: 500-1500	C: 200-499

## Stratification for Swiss Teams

A: 1000+	B: 200-999	C: 0-199
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Games may be combined and stratified according to director's discretion.

Tournament fee: \$ 300.00 mxn per session

Swiss Teams: \$ 2,400.00 mxn per team

# 52 WAYS TO MAKE YOUR CHILD SMARTER!



The ACBL Educational Foundation, creators of **BridgeWhiz™**, invite your kids to join a free, online beginning Bridge program that teaches young people, grades 4 through 12, the excitement of contract bridge.

- ◆ Bridge is a "mindsport" – the more it's played, the more it develops the mind.
- ◆ Bridge is a proven gateway to better concentration, focus, and reasoning, all scholastic benefits while your child is having fun playing with, and competing against, other kids.
- ◆ Bridge is an ice-breaker – the BridgeWhiz program has graduates from the US, Canada, UK, Europe, Africa and Asia, all of whom "speak bridge."
- ◆ BridgeWhiz uses certified and background-verified bridge teachers. Students play in a secure area.

Playing bridge improved nearly everything for me, whether it's my brain, my mind, or my swiftness of eyeing the cards.

- Dora J., 5th Grade

**Hurry! Classes begin October 17, 2022.  
Register your children today at [BridgeWhiz.org](http://BridgeWhiz.org).**



The American Contract Bridge League Educational Foundation (ACBLEF) is a nonprofit organization established in 2017.



**AUSTIN UNIT 207 2022**  
**SECTIONAL**  
**September 22 - 25**

**Bridge Center of Austin ♥ 6700 Middle Fiskville Rd.**  
**512-300-2743 ♠ [www.bridgecenteraustin.com](http://www.bridgecenteraustin.com)**

**Stratifications**

(Pair and team games based on average MPs)

**Open Pairs & Stratified Swiss:**

**A:** 3000+, **B:** 750-3000, **C:** 0-750

**299er Pairs:**

**A:** 200-300, **B:** 100-200, **C:** 0-100

**Bracketed Swiss Teams:**

**7 Teams/Bracket**

**Director has discretion on A/X MP break;**

**Note: For Bracketed Swiss, no team member can have over 2000 MPs.**

*Basic Chart for 299ers*

*Open Chart for all others*

**Entry Fees: \$12/session**

(\$16 for unpaid members, ACBL requirement)

**Sunday Swiss Teams: \$120**

(includes a box lunch served between morning and afternoon sessions.)

**Thursday - Saturday, September 22nd-24th**

**Stratified Swiss Teams, single session**

10am & 2:30pm

**Stratified Open Pairs, single session**

10am & 2:30pm

**Stratified 299er Pairs, single session**

10am & 2:30pm

**Sunday, September 25th**

**Stratified Swiss Teams: (A/X = 0-3000)**

10am & TBD

**Bracketed Swiss Teams: (0-2000)**

10am & TBD

**NOTE: Swiss Events may be combined at Director's discretion if number of teams dictates.**

**Chairpersons:**

**Pat Berry**

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**Partnerships: Rita Wiegenstein**

[ritanglen@gmail.com](mailto:ritanglen@gmail.com)

**Director in Charge: Melody Euler**

**Safety Coordinator: Sharon Hoger**

**Please Note: Due to changing ACBL rules concerning Covid, be sure to check the Unit Website at [austinbridge.org](http://austinbridge.org) or the BCA Website at [bridgecenteraustin.com](http://bridgecenteraustin.com)**

**before participating in this Sectional.**

**This is a fragrance-free tournament.**





**DISTRICT 16**  
**2022 - 2023**  
**NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS**  
**DISTRICT FINALS**  
**Saturday & Sunday,**  
**January 7th & 8th, 2023**  
**AUSTIN WINTER SECTIONAL**  
**HOLIDAY INN MIDTOWN, AUSTIN**

Click here for:  
District 16 NAP Conditions of Contest  
or ACBL NAP Conditions of Contest

**NAP**  
North American  
**PAIRS**  
ACBL American Contract  
Bridge League

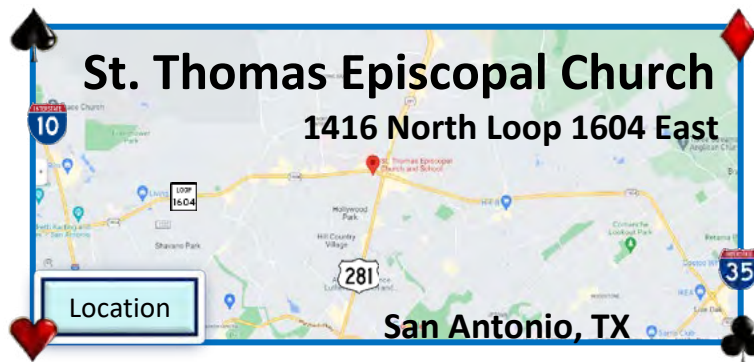
The District 16 NAP finals (flights A, B and C) will be held in conjunction with the January Austin Sectional. The NAP dates are January 7-8 (Sat. and Sun.) The event is being held at the Holiday Inn Midtown in Austin (6000 Middle Fiskville Road).

- Anyone qualifying at any club in the ACBL may play at the district-level.
- *No unit-level qualification is required.*
- One may play with any other player who also qualified.
- *Both players must be members of District 16.*
- If 16 or fewer pairs enter a given flight, that flight will have a one-day event (Saturday only).



# Diane Olson Election Sectional

## October 12-15, 2022



All ACBL COVID-19 protocols will be followed.

### Wednesday, October 12, 2022

**Cost \$10 per person per session**

10:00 am Stratified Pairs  
3:00 pm Stratified Swiss Teams

### Thursday, October 13, 2022

**Cost \$10 per person per session**

10:00 am Stratified Pairs  
3:00 pm Stratified Pairs

### Friday, October 14, 2022

**Cost \$10 per person per session**

10:00 am Stratified Pairs  
3:00 pm Stratified Pairs

### Saturday, October 15, 2022

**Cost \$120 per team**

10:00 am & TBA Bracketed Swiss Teams  
(unless changed to Stratified by Director)  
Includes Meal served between session

Proof of Covid Vaccination required



Stratifications: A: 2500+ B: 750-2500 C: 0-750  
All Events Average MP's  
Game Schedule may be changed by the DIC

Non ACBL Members  
ADD \$4

Credit Cards Only

### 499'er Game (3 Table Minimum)

Wednesday - Friday, October 12-14, 2022

**Cost \$10 per person per session**

10:00 am Stratified Pairs  
3:00 pm Stratified Pairs



- Tournament Chair:** John Hilbig, 210-587-9888, LADYL@gvtc.com
- Partnership Chair:** Debbie Schweiss, 210-862-9706, debschweiss@satx.rr.com
- Hospitality Chair:** Karen Fillis, 210-884-5613, kfillis@icloud.com
- Director in Charge:** Scott Humphrey, scott.humphrey@acbl.org



# PLAY OF THE HAND CHALLENGE PART III

## Thomas Rush



So here you are at 4S. Everybody's going to be there, and everybody's going to take 11 tricks, losing the two red aces, for an average.

*But what if you hate average boards?*

Is there a way you can possibly take 12 tricks after a club is led by West? Seven spades, two clubs, a club ruff, and a diamond ruff look like the limit.

*But what if the opponents don't take all their tricks?*

spade 9 (or 8) to dummy's Jack, and note that spades are 1-1. Play a heart toward your Jack. East plays the 9, you contribute the Jack, and West wins the Ace and continues with a club.

You'll win with the Queen and ruff a club. Ruff a heart high, lead the Spade 4 to the 5, and ruff another heart high. If the suit splits 3-3 (as it did at the table) you only need to lead the carefully preserved deuce of Spades to dummy's 3(!), and cash two good hearts pitching your diamond losers.

That's 12 tricks because of careful play and a defensive slip. 12 tricks gets you a 92% board; 11 tricks is only 42%. In a 26-board game, that adds just about 2% to your score, often enough to move you up a few places in the standings.

The screenshot shows a bridge hand simulation. At the top, the cards are listed from left to right: J♠, 7♠, 5♠, 3♠, 8♥, 7♥, 6♥, 5♥, 4♥, 2♥, 9♣, 3♣, 5♦. Below this, it says "N North - Sit!". In the center, a bidding table shows:

	W	N	E	S
			1♣	1♠
	Pass	2♠	Dbl	Rdbl
	3♦	3♠	Pass	4♠
	Pass	Pass	Pass	

Below the bidding table, there are two hand diagrams. The left one is for West, showing a 4♣ card. The right one is for East, showing a 4♣ card. At the bottom, the cards are listed from left to right: A♠, K♠, Q♠, 9♠, 8♠, 4♠, 2♠, J♥, A♣, Q♣, 7♣, K♦, 9♦. Below this, it says "S ThomasRush" and "7".

*The moral of this story is two-fold.*

**First**, any five- or six-card suit has the potential to be set up for "extra" tricks.

**Second**, pay attention to your spot cards – had you not preserved the four and deuce of spades, you'd not have had enough entries to set up hearts and take those pitches!

**Note:** Yes, taking 12 tricks requires the opponents to defend poorly. I'll note that a slim chance is better than no chance – and that in games up through at least flight B, you are often going to find sloppy defenders. When it can't cost, why not try a plan that might work, instead of not giving yourself that chance

At no cost to you, you can win the club trick with the Ace when East plays the King. Now lead the







# THIS ISSUE'S CHALLENGE

FROM THE RECENT

AWESOME AUGUST HOUSTON SECTIONAL

*This is a hand from a Bracket Two Team Game where I was playing on a team with three students*

N			
♠	K62		
♥	J83		
♦	K4		
♣	AJ1082		
W	N	E	S
	1♣	2♥	Dbl
Pass	3♣	Pass	3NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	
S			
♠	QJ73		
♥	K105		
♦	A6		
♣	K954		

You had a decision to make over your partner's 3C bid, and decided that 3NT might be easier than 5C. Seeing three hearts in dummy, you realize you made a very good decision; the Ace of Hearts followed by a heart ruff and the Ace of Spades would doom the 11 trick contract.

The Diamond Ten is led, and you have chances in 3NT. You can develop two spade tricks for sure, a heart trick, two diamonds, and four or five clubs – nine or more tricks – ***IF you guess the lie of the club suit.***

Are clubs Qxx opposite x, or are they split 2-2?

***(This wouldn't be a fun problem if the Queen were singleton!)***

You start with the assumption that hearts are 6-1, and that West didn't lead a heart because he has good diamonds and a singleton heart.

In order to get the best read on things, you start by winning the Diamond lead on the board, as East follows with the 8. A low Spade to the Queen finds low cards played, and a low spade back to the King draws the Ace from East. East then continues his partner's diamond attack by leading the Jack. You win the Ace in hand per force, and play the Jack of Spades while both opponents follow. On the Spade seven, you pitch dummy's Heart 3.

Having run out of delaying tactics, you scratch your chin in learned fashion (*to impress the galley of spectators*) pause for a moment, and place the Club King on the table.





<b>N</b> North
♠
♥ J8
♦
♣ AJ108
♣ 6
♣ 5
<b>S</b> South
♠
♥ K105
♦
♣ 94

You see the Three and Seven of Clubs from the opponents. Out of delaying tactics, you place the Five of Clubs on the table, and West follows with the 6.

**It's decision time.** Do you finesse, or play for the drop? Did East start with Qx of clubs, or with a singleton? How do you decide which layout to play for? Is one play superior to the other?

*Answers ...in the next issue!*

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# Beaumont Gusher Regional

October 17-23, 2022

Holiday Inn & Suites Beaumont Plaza, 3950 I-10 South, Beaumont, TX



### Tournament Co-Chairs

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### Host Hotel

#### Holiday Inn & Suites Beaumont

3950 I-10 South, Beaumont, TX (409-842-7808)  
Room Rate \$95 (Deadline Sep 16, 2022)

### Entry Fees

\$13/person/session Mon-Fri; \$120/team Sun  
\$14/person/session Sat (w/Texas NACB surcharge)  
\$4 more/session for unpaid ACBL members  
\$10/person/session for players with 0-20 MPs

### \*\*\*Don't Miss These Golden Opportunities!!!\*\*\*



- Three** 5-Session Side Game Series
- Six** 2-Session Gold Rush Pairs
- Six** 2-Session Strati-Flighted AXY Open Pairs
- Two** 4-Session Bracketed KO Teams
- Seven** 2-Session Bracketed Swiss Teams



### Awards

Section Top Awards for Pairs and First Place Teams

### Stratification

Stratification is based on average MPs for each pair/team; however, for Strati-Flighted events, flight qualification is determined by the highest MP holding of any player on that pair/team. Top bracket may be handicapped.

**Stratified Events:** A (2000+), B (750-2000), C (0-750)  
299ers – A (200-300), B (100-200), C (0-100)

**Strati-Flighted Events:** Flight A (3000+), Flight X (1500-3000), Flight Y (0-1500), Flight B (300-750), Flight C (0-300). Flights B and C play together.



### Schedule of Events

#### Monday, Oct 17

Strati-Flighted AXY Open Pairs (2 Sessions) ..... 2p, 7:30p  
0-750 **Gold Rush** Pairs (2 Sessions) ..... 2p, 7:30p  
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions) ..... 2p, 7:30p  
Side Game Series (Single Sessions)\* ..... 2p, 7:30p

All ACBL COVID-19 protocols will be followed.

**Zero-Tolerance & No Fragrance Tournament**

Rev Date: 12/20/2021

### Schedule of Events (continued)

#### Tuesday, Oct 18

Strati-Flighted AXY Open Pairs (2 Sessions) .....9:30a, 2p  
0-750 **Gold Rush** Pairs (2 Sessions).....9:30a, 2p  
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions).....9:30a, 2p  
Bracketed KO #1 Teams (1 of 4) ..... 7:30p  
Evening Single Session Swiss Teams ..... 7:30p  
Three Side Game Series/299er Pairs\* ..... 9:30a, 2p, 7:30p

#### Wednesday, Oct 19

Strati-Flighted AXY Open Pairs (2 Sessions) .....9:30a, 2p  
0-750 **Gold Rush** Pairs (2 Sessions).....9:30a, 2p  
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions).....9:30a, 2p  
Bracketed KO #1 Teams (2 of 4) ..... 7:30p  
Evening Single Session Swiss Teams ..... 7:30p  
Side Game Series/299er Pairs\* ..... 9:30a, 2p, 7:30p

#### Thursday, Oct 20

Strati-Flighted AXY Open Pairs (2 Sessions) .....9:30a, 2p  
0-750 **Gold Rush** Pairs (2 Sessions).....9:30a, 2p  
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions).....9:30a, 2p  
Bracketed KO #1 Teams (3 of 4) ..... 7:30p  
Bracketed KO #2 Teams (1 of 4) ..... 7:30p  
Evening Single Session Swiss Teams ..... 7:30p  
Side Game Series/299er Pairs\* ..... 9:30a, 2p, 7:30p

#### Friday, Oct 21

Strati-Flighted AXY Open Pairs (2 Sessions) .....9:30a, 2p  
0-750 **Gold Rush** Pairs (2 Sessions).....9:30a, 2p  
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions).....9:30a, 2p  
Bracketed KO #1 Teams (4 of 4) ..... 7:30p  
Bracketed KO #2 Teams (2 of 4) ..... 7:30p  
Evening Single Session Swiss Teams ..... 7:30p  
Side Game Series/299er Pairs\* ..... 9:30a, 2p, 7:30p

#### Saturday, Oct 22

Strati-Flighted AXY Open Pairs (2 Sessions) .....9:30a, 2p  
0-750 **Gold Rush** Pairs (2 Sessions).....9:30a, 2p  
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions).....9:30a, 2p  
Bracketed KO #2 Teams (3, 4 of 4) .....9:30a, 2p  
Evening Single Session Swiss Teams ..... 7:30p  
Side Game Series/299er Pairs\* ..... 9:30a, 2p, 7:30p

#### Sunday, Oct 23

Strati-Flighted AX Swiss Teams ..... 9:30a, TBD  
0-2500 **Gold Rush** Bracketed Swiss Teams ..... 9:30a, TBD  
Stratified Open Pairs (Two Sessions)..... 9:30a, TBD

### \*Side Game Series/299er Games (Tue-Sat)

Morning Side Game Series.....9:30a  
Afternoon Side Game Series ..... 2p  
Evening Side Game Series ..... 7:30p  
299er Pairs (Single Sessions).....9:30a, 2p, 7:30p

Overall: Best two scores in each Side Game Series



## JULY & AUGUST RANK CHANGES\*

### —JULY—

#### JUNIOR MASTER

Don Amfahr (174)  
 Cherie Baer (174)  
 Steven Bolinger (174)  
 Jeff Brundage (183)  
 Lynn Clark (174)  
 Kaaran Corbin (183)  
 Frances Day (207)  
 Stephen Douglas (173)  
 John Eads (174)  
 Janet Ellettee (174)  
 Ann Grauerholz (207)  
 Mary Hancock (174)  
 Samuel Nuchia (174)  
 Ruth Schiermeyer (197)  
 Leslie Walker (197)

#### CLUB MASTER

Gwendolyn Atchison (207)  
 Michael Atchison (207)  
 Brook Barrow (183)  
 Marilyn Burger (201)  
 Darwin Bybee (176)  
 Michele Domec (201)  
 Howard Gentry (207)  
 Deborah Greenslade (183)  
 Allan Grenadier (176)  
 Antoun Henri (174)  
 Christopher Jackson (176)  
 Carolyn Myers (174)  
 Patty Romigh (174)

#### SECTIONAL MASTER

Mark Beckstrom (209)  
 Kenneth Blazek (207)  
 Ann Brooks (209)  
 Linda Crum (174)  
 Rathindra Dutt (174)  
 Michael Frederick (183)  
 Peggy Frick (197)  
 Kathleen Gregory (207)  
 Robin Hughes (209)  
 Donna Kidwell (174)  
 Jeanne Kokes (174)  
 David LaCava (176)  
 Dale Linton (209)  
 Rosa Lobo Morales (173)  
 Paul Marino (207)  
 Pat Salzano (174)  
 Mary Tift (209)  
 Dorian Venable (174)  
 Anita Vogel (173)  
 Travis Woodward (209)

#### REGIONAL MASTER

Amy Allen (187)  
 Paula Bayley (209)  
 Judy Berg (176)  
 Gail Burbridge (174)  
 Cathy Jo D'Antoni (174)  
 Susan Hanna (174)  
 Cynthia Heagy (174)  
 Sandy Hill (209)  
 Bonnie Hubbard (209)  
 Walter Netschi (176)  
 Jeanne Phelps (174)  
 Joanne Pledger (201)  
 David Rhoads (174)  
 Michelle Shores (225)

Sydney Van Roekel (176)  
 Juanice Welsh (209)

#### NABC MASTER

Linda Buice (174)  
 Susan Clarkson (176)  
 Roger Farish (183)  
 Bill Farrar (174)  
 Dorothy Foster (207)  
 John Haussmann (207)  
 Bama Hill (207)  
 Brenda McIndoo (207)  
 Janet Medlin (176)  
 Marsha Murray (176)  
 Kurt Smith (176)  
 John Whittaker (207)

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 Virginia Miller (207)  
 Margie Portela (176)  
 Cindy Skeels (174)  
 Valerie Townley-Smith (201)

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Judy Bouska (176)  
 Charlie Chen (207)  
 Jin Chu (176)  
 John Gurasich (225)  
 Linda Gurasich (225)  
 Yao-Hui Hsiau (172)  
 Elsa Manzotti (173)  
 Johara Nour (174)  
 Ann Roe (207)  
 Pat Roeh (187)  
 Burton Shepherd (176)  
 Susan Wheeler (187)  
 Sarah Wright (209)





**BRONZE LIFE MASTER**

Sue Alt (207)  
Darlyn Dusek (174)  
Elsa Manzotti (173)  
Ronnie Martin (174)  
Sue Myers (197)  
Ann Roe (207)  
Marie Russiello (207)  
Burton Shepherd (176)  
Susan Wheeler (187)

**SILVER LIFE MASTER**

Donald Boyd (174)  
Nget Carter (176)  
Floyd Gerwig (176)  
Jane Giddens (197)  
Anne Goodman (176)  
Mark McAllister (207)  
George Morey (183)  
John Olson (207)  
Ross Ramsey (183)  
Amy Schumacher (176)

**RUBY LIFE MASTER**

Christine Caine (174)  
Ann Kuehler (172)  
Bruce Mann (183)  
Anita Rothfuss (174)  
Wendy Valentine (254)

**GOLD LIFE MASTER**

Anita Albert (207)

**—AUGUST—**

**JUNIOR MASTER**

Julianne Farnsworth (174)  
Martha Hanson (174)  
Linda Hensley (174)  
Melissa Jones (174)  
James Pax (207)  
Earl Pittman (201)  
Dorothea Pongetti (174)  
Connie Pugh (197)  
Dale Punshon (174)  
Dale Royalty (174)  
Judy Tate (174)

**CLUB MASTER**

John Burgess (183)  
Bob Canobbio (174)  
Jane Giordano (207)  
Gloria Harkey (172)  
Lilah Jensen (174)  
Larry Koenig (174)  
Aisha May (174)  
Elaine McPike (174)  
Paul Newbury (209)  
Suzanne Sebo (174)

**SECTIONAL MASTER**

Carey Carter (176)  
Brenda Darby (183)  
Margaret Jackson (201)

**REGIONAL MASTER**

Robert Fiorendino (225)  
Ken Russell (174)  
Jamie Southerland (207)

**NABC MASTER**

Joan Becker (176)  
Karen Bell (225)  
Judy Farrar (174)  
Franca Torellini (176)

**ADV NABC MASTER**

Helen King (172)  
James Summers (183)

**LIFE MASTER**

Scott Cantor (174)  
Cheri Gross (207)  
Pingshan Wen (176)

**BRONZE LIFE MASTER**

Brad Chandler (174)  
Andrew Chen (207)  
Mike Mastandrea (176)  
Alice Wright (183)

**SILVER LIFE MASTER**

Arjune Bose (174)  
Randy Eads (183)  
Ann Gibbs (174)  
Barbara Pope (174)  
Yan Song (174)  
Jeane Treloar (205)

**RUBY LIFE MASTER**

Alice Hendry (176)  
Connie Scott (176)

**GOLD LIFE MASTER**

Roger Marlatt (174)  
Mary McGinnis (176)  
Dorita Montelongo (173)  
Ann Parker (176)  
Rosalind Smith (176)  
Yan Song (176)

\* Note that Rank Changes  
come directly from the ACBL.





## PASSINGS TO NOTE

MAY 1ST THRU AUGUST 31ST

- \* Mrs. Judy Bramley, Dallas  
Thomas Cook, Galveston
- \* Mrs. Avis A. Fortado, Dallas
- \* Sue Gilbreath, Lubbock
- \* Jan H. Kenyon, Irving
- \* Ronald B. Lantz, Austin
- \* Don E. Mahoney, San Antonio
- \* Mrs. Catherine Supple, San Marcos
- \* Mrs. Roxana Tom, San Antonio
- \* Victoria L. Castleberry, Houston  
S. M. Goad, Temple
- \* Jack A. Rollier, Allen  
Mary A. Bryan, Tomball
- \* Betsy F. Dubose, Bellaire
- \* Douglas S. Lilly, Seabrook
- \* Mrs. Diane Olson, Blanco
- \* Edwin A. Zwald, Houston
- \* Mrs. Frankie L. Brown, Livingston
- \* Charlotte M. Gates, Georgetown
- \* Robert D. Grover, Georgetown  
Donald R. Hander, Plano
- \* James C. Hawkins Jr., Odessa
- \* Mrs. Mary Jo Torczon, Houston  
Steve A. Vaughn, La Porte

\*Life Master

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**Events**

**Friday & Saturday, Oct 28-29**

Stratified 0-500 Pairs            10:00 AM & 2:30 PM  
 Stratified Open Pairs            10:00 AM & 2:30 PM

**Sunday, Oct 30**

Strati-Flighted Teams            10:00 AM & 2:30 PM  
 (2 sessions)

**Location**

Fort Worth Bridge Studio  
 6715 Camp Bowie Blvd.  
 Fort Worth, TX  
 76116  
 817-877-3364

**Reservations**

- Capacity in the Fort Worth Studio Limited
- **Please Text or Email Randy Eads to Reserve a Place at the Table**
- Drop-Ins OK but Subject to Capacity of the Studio

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**Strats**

**Stratified 0-500 Pairs:**

A = 300-500 B = 100-300 C = 0-100

**Stratified Open Pairs:**

A = 2500+ B = 1000-2500 C = 0—1000

**Team Strats:**

A = unlimited X = 0-4000  
 Play Together in One Event

B = 750-2500 C = 0-750  
 Play Together in Another Event

Strats by Average MP... Subject to  
 Change by Director Based on Field

**Covid**

- Covid Protocols will be Followed
- Vaccination required... Verified by Vax Card Inspection or Prior Attendance at a 2022 Tournament
- To Pre-Screen, Send a Cell-Phone Pic of Vax Card to Randy Eads [eadswr@icloud.com](mailto:eadswr@icloud.com)
- Mask policy, based on community transmission, will be Decided by ACBL One Week Out

**Election**

- We will be Voting for Unit Board of Directors at the Tournament
- Results will be Announced at a Member Meeting on Sunday at 2:00

**Fees**

- Cashless: Credit Cards or Electronic Xfer
- Friday & Saturday: \$13 per Person per Session
- Sunday: \$120 per Team for both Sessions & Lunch
- Unpaid ACBL Members \$4 Extra

# WELCOME TO PROVIDENCE IN JULY

**Ken Monzingo**



## **COOL, COOL**

For those who traveled the 1700-1800 miles from Texas to Providence, Rhode Island for the Summer NABC they enjoyed balmy 80-90 degrees summer cool. Great getaway weather for visiting this charming city

(102-109 degrees mid-July in Fort Worth).

The last Providence NABC was the chilling blast Fall 2014 National. It was more than a blast and as cold as some winters I spent in Anchorage. Walking two blocks to dinner, the winter wind and

freezing rain blew in my face so hard it iced my lungs and made a bird bath bowl out of my umbrella. Year 2022's Summer NABC was quite an upgrade.

## **GROWTH AND CHANGE**

In the late 60s, touring with a magic show at State Fairs and Home Shows, I spent a 7-day gig in Providence. I remember restaurants serving a special of two, one-pound lobsters dinner for \$5.00. I treated the entire troop for less than what I'd pay for one meal today at a gourmet sea food house.

Things change and so does food. Providence now has a population of 191,000, which makes it just a bit larger than Brownsville, but less than Amarillo.



*Providence on Narragansett Bay*



With a surprising 43% being Latino or Hispanic the local cuisine takes on a new flavor.

## HISTORY

Providence, on scenic Narragansett Bay, is one of the oldest cities in the United States, founded in 1636 by Roger Williams, a Reformed Baptist theologian and exile from the Massachusetts Bay Colony. He named the area in honor of "God's Divine Providence."

National Memorials, parks and a 15-foot statue of Williams remain.

Steeped in the birth of our Democracy, in 1772 the 7000 residents of Providence were among the first to spill English blood leading up to the 1775-1783 American Revolutionary War by boarding and burning Britain's HMS Gaspee, marking the initial violent uprising against the Crown's authority in fledgling America.



Burning of HMS Gaspee  
Courtesy, Rhode Island Historical Society

## ♣ ♦ *Play Bridge!* ♥ ♠

The tournament kicked off with a terrific 2nd place finish in the Goldman GNTeams Flight A by District 16's foursome of Ari Sippola, Richardson, Pawel Hanus, Carrollton, and Ying Peng, James Zhan, Sugar Land (see picture pg 34), the team just missing winning the national event.

Another HUGE 2nd place followed by D16's Eric Greco of Frisco, playing with Steve Weinstein, D24, in the star-studded Von Zedtwitz Life Master

Pairs (see picture pg 35) – Greco also finished 6th in the Open Swiss Teams. Also, Bob Hamman and Bart Bramley of Dallas finished 3/4 in the premier event, the Spingold Teams. Dan Morse, Houston, playing with Buddy Hanby and Sally Wheeler of The Woodlands was 4th in the Truscott Senior Teams, and in the Mixed Board-A-Match Teams Greg Hinze, San Antonio, finished 5th.





GNT Flight A 2nd Place  
Ari Sippola - Pawel Hanus - Ying Peng - James Zhan

## D16 FINISHES IN NATIONAL EVENTS

### SUMMER ROBOT INDIVIDUAL

- 8/1B. Wanfeng Mou, Sugar Land
- 27. Phil Clayton, Frisco
- 46. Steve Shirey, Fort Worth
- 47. Michael Day, Southlake

### GOLDMAN GNTEAMS FLIGHT A

- 2. Ari Sippola, Richardson
- 2. Pawel Hanus, Carrollton
- 2. Ying Peng, Sugar Land
- 2. James Zhan, Sugar Land

### MCNAB GNTEAMS FLIGHT C

- 5/8. William Shepherd, Tomball
- 5/8. Brian Dudley, Spring
- 5/8. Nathan Yee, Houston
- 5/8. Scott Cantor, Houston

### VON ZEDTWITZ LIFE MASTER PAIRS

- 2. Eric Greco, Frisco
- 16. Bart Bramley, Dallas
- 23. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio
- 30. Dan Morse, Houston
- 43. Sally Wheeler, The Woodlands
- 43. Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands
- 60. Greg Hinze, San Antonio

### NABC 0-10K PAIRS

- 5. Hua Yang, Plano
- 5. Yan Song, Plano
- 8. Andrew Chen, Austin
- 17. Kevin O'Donnell, Leander
- 21. Yan Song, Livingston

### YOUNG 0-2500 PAIRS

- 5. Lilly Justman, Austin
- 5. Kristen Onsgard, Dallas



**TRUSCOTT SENIOR TEAMS**

- 4. Dan Morse, Houston
- 4. Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands
- 4. Sally Wheeler, The Woodlands

**SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS**

- 17/32. Eric Greco, Frisco
- 17/32. Eddie Wold, Houston
- 17/32. Chris Compton, Dallas
- 17/32. Finn Kolesnik, Austin

**MIXED BOARD-A-MATCH TEAMS**

- 5. Greg Hinze, San Antonio

**WERNHER OPEN PAIRS**

- 18. Sam Dinkin, Austin

**SPINGOLD KNOCKOUT TEAMS**

- 3/4. Bob Hamman, Dallas
- 3/4. Bart Bramley, Dallas
- 9/16. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio



- 17/32. Eddie Wold, Houston
- 17/32. Chris Compton, Dallas
- 17/32. Finn Kolesnik, Austin

**0-6000 MINI-SPINGOLD**

- 5/8. Yan Song, Livingston

**ROTH OPEN SWISS TEAMS**

- 6. Eric Greco, Frisco
- 19. Mike Passell, Plano
- 26. Eddie Wold, Houston
- 27. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio

**10K MIXED SWISS TEAMS**

- 4. Steve Chen, Austin
- 4. Sarah Chen, Austin



von Zedtwitz Life master Pairs  
Eric Greco and Steve Weinstein





## D16 FINISHES IN REGIONAL EVENTS

(Overall Placements)

1B. Isaac Stone, Austin

### ED FOUNDATION PAIRS

4. Thomas Rush, Houston

6. Kim Brinkman, Austin

5B/2C. Evan Marti, Houston

16. Evan Marti, Houston

17. Marilyn Adams, Beaumont

17. Anton Haddad, Houston

### ED FOUNDATION BRACKETED TEAMS

4. Chris Compton, Dallas

### FRIDAY OPEN PAIRS

8/2B. Yan Song, Livingston

15. Nancy Passell, Plano

15. Petra Hamman, Carrollton

### SUNDAY OPEN PAIRS

10. Arjune Bose Houston

10. Eddie Wold, Houston

11. Hanchang Wang, Coppell

### SATURDAY TOP FLIGHT SWISS

9/10. Sam Dinkin, Austin

9/10. Lynn Baker, Austin

11/12. Bob Hamman, Dallas

### TOP FLIGHT SWISS TEAMS

3X. Sandra Stevens, Paige

### MONDAY OPEN PAIRS

4B/2C. Yan Song, Livingston

8B/4C. Isaac Stone, Austin

### TUESDAY OPEN PAIRS

4B/2C. Isaac Stone, Austin

### FRIDAY-SUNDAY SIDE SERIES

3/4. Anton Haddad, Houston

3/4. Marilyn Abrams, Beaumont

### PAM HOFFER R/R TEAMS

#### BRACKET I

2. Andrew Chen, Austin

2. Charlie Chen, Austin

2. Steve Chen, Austin

#### BRACKET VIII

2. Alan Rauch, Fort Worth

2. Johara Nour, Houston

2. Kathleen McDougall, Richmond

### TUESDAY BRACKETED R/R TEAMS

#### BRACKET II

2. Yan Song, Livingston

3. Bill St. Clair, Houston

#### BRACKET IV

2. Derald Keetch, Livingston

### TUESDAY TOP-FLIGHT PAIRS

19. Greg Hinze, San Antonio

### WEDNESDAY OPEN PAIRS

2. Scott Humphrey, Pflugerville

2. Carolyn Pinto, Weatherford

### WEDNESDAY TOP FLIGHT TEAMS

3. Mike Passell, Plano

6. Lynn Baker, Austin

### 0-3000 R/R TEAMS

#### BRACKET IV

3. Brad Chandler, Houston

3. Laura Chandler, Houston

3. Donald Boyd, Houston

3. Bonnie Boyd, Houston





**THURSDAY TOP FLIGHT PAIRS**

13. Donna Compton, Dallas

**MONDAY-TUESDAY SIDE PAIRS**

1/2. Marilyn Adams, Beaumont

1/2. Anton Haddad, Houston

**FRIDAY FAST PAIRS**

2. Thomas Rush, Houston

2. David Ticen, Victoria

**BRACKET II R/R TEAMS**

2. Yan Song, Livingston

**SATURDAY FAST PAIRS**

Thomas Rush, Houston

**SATURDAY TOP-FLIGHT SWISS**

3. Sam Dinkin, Austin

**TOP D16 MASTERPOINT WINNERS**



Eric Greco

Eric Greco of Frisco was the top D16 point winner at the Summer NABC, and 12th overall in points won with 231.50. Thirty-two D16 players won more than 20 points in Providence placing them in the top 1000 overall MP winners of the 3207 players who won at least a fraction of a masterpoint there.

*2022 Summer NABC MPs: 73,946.34 earned by 3207 players*

*2014 Fall NABC MPs: 82,407.04 earned by 3992 players*

12.	<b>231.50</b>	Eric Greco, Frisco	288.	<b>63.75</b>	James Zhan, Sugar Land
39.	<b>170.60</b>	Bart Bramley, Dallas	339.	<b>55.53</b>	Sam Dinkin, Austin
90.	<b>130.15</b>	Bob Hamman, Dallas	350.	<b>54.75</b>	Andrew Chen, Austin
130.	<b>112.30</b>	Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio	367.	<b>53.35</b>	Yan Song, Livingston
179.	<b>95.72</b>	Finn Kolesnik, Austin	414.	<b>48.27</b>	Steve Chen, Austin
237.	<b>73.67</b>	Dan Morse, Houston	463.	<b>44.54</b>	Chris Compton, Dallas
243.	<b>72.63</b>	Sally Wheeler, The Woodlands	594.	<b>35.34</b>	Thomas Rush, Houston
244.	<b>72.63</b>	Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands	634.	<b>33.28</b>	Charlie Chen, Austin
260.	<b>68.74</b>	Yan Song, Plano	637.	<b>33.22</b>	Lynn Baker, Austin
261.	<b>68.74</b>	Hua Yang, Plano	647.	<b>32.75</b>	Kristen Onsgard, Dallas
262.	<b>68.48</b>	Greg Hinze, San Antonio	715.	<b>29.31</b>	Sarah Chen, Austin
280.	<b>64.83</b>	Eddie Wold, Houston	804.	<b>26.28</b>	Lilly Justman, Austin
281.	<b>64.80</b>	Mike Passell, Plano	834.	<b>25.36</b>	Kim Brinkman, Austin
285.	<b>63.75</b>	Ari Sippola, Richardson	910.	<b>23.14</b>	Kevin O'Donnell, Leander
286.	<b>63.75</b>	Ying Peng, Sugar Land	966.	<b>21.40</b>	Anton Haddad, Houston
287.	<b>63.75</b>	Pawel Hanus, Carrollton	967.	<b>21.40</b>	Marilyn Adams, Beaumont





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**PHOENIX NABC**

BRIDGE IN THE DESERT

NOV. 24-DEC. 4, 2022

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2023  
**NEW ORLEANS**  
SPRING NABC  
MARCH 9-19, 2023



# Puerto Vallarta Regional

**October 31 thru November 6, 2022**

Website:

[www.pvregional.com](http://www.pvregional.com)

## Monday, October 31

Miguel Reygadas Open Pairs (Eve Side 1st of 6 sessions) 7:30pm  
Vallarta KO Teams—1 7:30pm

## Tuesday, November 1

Morning Side Game Series (1st of 5 sessions) 9:30am 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Choice Pairs (any 2 of 3 sessions) 9:30am 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Vallarta KO Teams—2, 3 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Afternoon Side Game Series (1st of 5 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Stratiflighted Swiss Teams (2 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Evening Side Game Series (2nd of 6 sessions) 8:00pm

## Wednesday, November 2

Morning Side Game Series (2nd of 5 sessions) 9:30am 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Gold Rush Pairs (single session available) 9:30am 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Afternoon Side Game Series (2nd of 5 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Open Pairs (2 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Acapulco KO Team—1 & 2 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Evening Side Game Series (3rd of 6 sessions) 8:00pm  
Wednesday Single Session Swiss 8:00pm

## Thursday, November 3

Morning Side Game Series (3rd of 5 sessions) 9:30am 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Choice Pairs (any 2 of 3 sessions) 9:30am 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Afternoon Side Game Series (3rd of 5 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Acapulco KO Team—3 & 4 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Stratiflighted Swiss Teams (2 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Evening Side Game Series (4th of 6 sessions) 8:00pm

## Friday, November 4

Morning Side Game Series (4th of 5 sessions) 9:30am 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Gold Rush Pairs (single session available) 9:30am 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Stratiflighted Swiss Teams (2 sessions) 9:30am 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Afternoon Side Game Series (4th of 5 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Open Pairs (2 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Cancun KO Team—1 & 2 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Evening Side Game Series (5th of 6 sessions) 8:00pm  
Friday Single Session Swiss 8:00pm

## Saturday, November 5

Morning Side Game Series (5th of 5 sessions) 9:30am 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Choice Pairs (any 2 of 3 sessions) 9:30am 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Afternoon Side Game Series (5th of 5 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Cancun KO Team—3 & 4 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Stratiflighted Swiss Teams (2 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm  
Evening Side Game Series (6th of 6 sessions) 8:00pm

## Sunday, November 6

Stratiflighted Swiss Teams (2 sessions) 10:00am and TBD  
Lunch Between Sessions

**ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY  
NO SMOKING and NO PERFUME POLICY  
PROOF OF VACCINATION REQUIRED**

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**For Reservations Call  
322-226-1100 ext. 4304 or 4305**

**From the USA or Canada:  
011-52-322-226-1100**

[www.westin.com/puertovallarta](http://www.westin.com/puertovallarta)

**For Special Bridge Rate of \$120.00 plus taxes  
and fees, call the hotel directly.**

### Stratifications:

**Open Pairs :** A: 3000+ B: 1500-3000 C: 0-1500

**Gold Rush Pairs :** (no player over 1000)

A: 500-1000 B: 200-500 C: 0-200

**Choice Pairs:** A: 2500+ B: 750-2500 C: 0-750

**Side Games:** A: 2000+ B: 750-2000 C: 0-750

**Single Session Swiss:**

A: 2500+ B: 750-2500 C: 0-750

**Stratiflighted Swiss:**

A: 6000+, X: 4000-6000, Y: 0-4000

B: 1250-3000, C: 750-1250, D: 0-750

(B/C/D plays separately; no player over 3000)

By Average Master Points

\*\*\*\*KO Events may be Handicapped\*\*\*

### Entries per Session:

USD \$13 (\$15 Sunday) ACBL Members

USD \$17 (\$19 Sunday) Unpaid ACBL Members

### Tournament Chairperson:

**Lew Crippen**

734-206-1889 USA or 376-766-1119 Mexico

[regionalpv@gmail.com](mailto:regionalpv@gmail.com)

### Partnership Desk:

**Mary Ann White**

817-277-0722 USA or 376-766-1312 Mexico

Email: [tourney205@gmail.com](mailto:tourney205@gmail.com)



# CLUB NOTES—F2F AND SYC (SUPPORT YOUR CLUB) ONLINE

**LET'S GET BACK ON TRACK, PEOPLE (ME INCLUDED)!** Better support for our clubs is critical. We all need to do more. If we don't, more clubs will close and obviously, we don't want that to happen. If your club submits a list of special games they are holding, I'll list those games in Scorecard. I'm hoping more clubs will take the opportunity to tell you what events are going on so you can plan on playing. I include the BBO SYC (Support Your Club) schedule here so that when a f2f game is unavailable, you can play online and still support your club.

PLEASE NOTE: The only special club games listed here are those that were submitted to me.

*Always check to make sure each event is still occurring before you go.*

## SAN MARCOS & KYLE

### SAN MARCOS & KYLE BRIDGE CLUBS SPECIAL GAMES (UNIT 207)

- September 2, 5, 7, 12, 14, 16, 19, 21, 26, 28, 30: **International Fund Game**
- October 3, 5, 7, 17, 19, 21: **Club Appreciation**
- October 10, 12, 14, 24, 26, 28: **Club Championship**
- October 31: **Club Membership**
- November 2, 4 **Club Membership**
- November 7, 9, 11: **Club Appreciation**

HIBridge Club games

Monday and Friday at 10:00

San Marcos:

the RailYard

116 S Edward Gary St, San Marcos

Wednesday at 11:55

Kyle Ci6Ci's

In the plaza on North East Corner of 1626  
at I-35 Exit 215

All games will be special the remainder of the year!

Harry Inghamm, Club Manager/Director  
512-557-0038 (cell)

[inghamhf@gmail.com](mailto:inghamhf@gmail.com)

## GEORGETOWN

### GEORGETOWN BRIDGE CLUB SPECIAL GAMES (UNIT 207)

- September 14 **International Fund**
- September 21 **International Fund**
- September 28 **International Fund**
- October 5 **Jane Johnson Club Appreciation**
- October 12 **ACBL Club Championship 4th Quarter**
- October 19 **Jane Johnson Club Appreciation**
- October 26 **ACBL Charity Foundation**
- November 9 **ACBL Upgraded Club Championship**

Wednesdays at 1:00

Georgetown Bridge Club

Georgetown Recreation Center

1003 N Austin Avenue, Georgetown

Betsy Lidgey, Manager/Director

512-864-0745; (512) 639-4908 (cell)

[blidgey@suddenlink.net](mailto:blidgey@suddenlink.net)







## WICHITA FALLS

### SUITE 16 WICHITA FALLS SPECIAL GAMES (UNIT 353)

- September 8: **Club Championship**
- September 15: **Upgraded Club Championship**
- September 22: **Club Championship**
- October 6: **Club Championship**
- October 13: **Unit Championship**
- October 20: **Club Appreciation #1**
- October 27: **Club Appreciation #2**
- November 3: **Unit Championship**

Thursday at 11:30  
Suite 16 Bridge  
4701 Southwest Pkwy  
Wichita Falls

Patricia Robinson, Club Owner/Manager  
940-923-4558

[probinson1938@gmail.com](mailto:probinson1938@gmail.com)

### BRIDGE CLUB OF WICHITA FALLS SPECIAL GAMES (UNIT 353)

- September 10: **Upgraded Club Championship**
- September 20: **Unit Championship**
- September 27: **Senior Pairs**
- October 4: **ACBL Charity Game**
- October 15: **Club Membership**
- October 18: **Club Appreciation**
- October 29: **Unit Championship**
- November 11: **Unit NAP Game –  
David Hertzog will be the Director**

Tuesday & Saturday at 11:30  
Bridge Club Of Wichita Falls  
4701 Southwest Pkwy  
Wichita Falls

David Hertzog, Club Owner/Manager  
9407675629

[djhert1941@gmail.com](mailto:djhert1941@gmail.com)



## SUPPORT YOUR CLUBS ONLINE (SYC)

### BBO SYC (SUPPORT YOUR CLUB) DAYLONG ROBOT GAMES

When you play in a “Support Your Club” game, most of your table fees are given to your club. This way, you support your club and win ACBL black masterpoints.

- 18 boards, Matchpoints scoring plus the game is stratified
- 6 BB\$ entry fee
- ACBL daylongs uses advanced robots & once you begin, you have till midnight US Eastern to complete the set of 18 boards
- ACBL black masterpoints & BBO points awarded

Log in to BBO, click on *ACBL World* then select *ACBLSYC*.

ACBLSYC ACBL SYC Black Point Daylong (MP)





# HOUSTON AUGUST SECTIONAL WINNERS



Thur Open, Flt B  
Cliff Rice, Mark Howard



Thur Sat Sun  
Swiss, Bkt 1  
Buddy Hanby,  
Sally Wheeler,  
Tom Breed,  
Joe Quinn,  
Gil Micheletti,  
Dan Morse



Thur Swiss, Bkt 2  
Rupa Shah, Kathleen Pflueger,  
Karen Jennings, Betty Westbrook



Thur Swiss, Bkt 4  
Jerry McNeely, Rony Klein,  
Margaret Thomson (NP),  
Susan Silvey (NP)



Fri Swiss, Bkt 1  
Buddy Hanby, Sally Wheeler,  
Tom Breed, Dan Morse



Fri Swiss, Bkt 2  
Pat Kubicek, Joyce Wormser,  
Linda Brending, Victoria Ornowski





Fri Swiss, Bkt 4  
Cindy Schaefer, Marcia Chambliss,  
David Vaughn, Mary Vaughn



Fri Swiss, Bkt 5  
Felicia Davis, Rupa Shah,  
Karen Jennings, Sara Rowe



Fri Open, Flt A  
Linda Sutton, Pat Levy



Fri Open, Flt B  
Thomas Rush, Alfred Fortier III



Sat Open, Flt A  
John Zilic, Tom Peters



Sat Swiss, Bkt 2  
Linda Drake, Pamela White,  
Hasin Jinna, Thomas Rush



Sat Swiss, Bkt 3  
Sharon Arnold, Gail Gillespie,  
Jabeen Farooki, William Griffith (NP)





# HOUSTON AUGUST SECTIONAL WINNERS CONT.



Sat Swiss, Bkt 5  
Paul Shack, Terry McGarrity,  
Edwin Tumlinson, Lynn Hershey



Sun Swiss, Bkt 2  
Jame Zhan, Ying Peng,  
Harry Elliott, David Goldfarb



Sat Open, Flt B  
Linda Rensi, Troy Carr

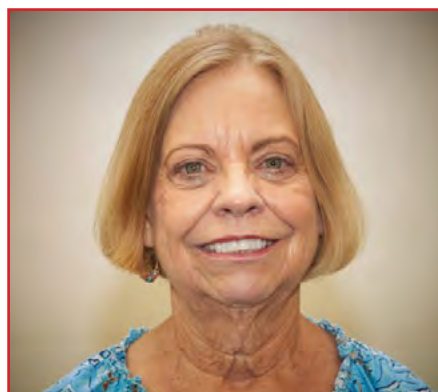


Sat Swiss, Bkt 4  
Kathleen Pflueger, Betty Westbrook,  
Lawrence Michaels (NP),  
Harlene Michaels (NP)





Sun Swiss, Bkt 3  
Chloe Ella Fackenthall, Jerry McNeely,  
Rathindra Dutt, Rony Klein



New Life Master  
Sara Rowe



Sun Morn Open, Flt A  
Alfred Fortier III, Susan Kaplan



Sun Morn Open, Flt B  
Traci McCaskill, Carolyn Wedel





TEACHERS!

*Listen Up!*

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Contact me & I'll put an  
announcement  
in the next newsletter.

[D16-ScorecardEditor@twc.com](mailto:D16-ScorecardEditor@twc.com)

**A NOTE ON ENTRY EXPRESS...**

**There are still some issues using this portal for tournament registration.  
If you had been thinking of trying it...before you do,  
check with the tournament or ACBL to verify that  
the software glitches have been resolved.**





# Houston Unit 174 Bewitches Bridge



Oct 28 thru 30  
Friday thru Sunday

\$1 Coffee



\$1 Soda



## Halloween Sectional 2022



**Note: ACBL has increased awards by 20%**

### ARABIA SHRINE CENTER

10510 Harwin Dr.  
Houston, TX 77036



### Stratification

#### Stratified Open Pairs

A: 3000+ X: 750-3000 Y: 0-750

#### Stratified 299'r Pairs

B: 200-300 C: 100-200 D: 0-100

#### Bracketed Swiss

Brackets of 7-9 teams



### Table Fees per Session

Thur, Fri & Sat: \$12 (\$4 more for lapsed members)  
Sunday: \$14 (Sunday lunch included)

Table Fees are cashless (credit card only)

### SPRINGHILL SUITES by Marriott

5851 Rogerdale Rd, Houston, TX 77072  
(832) 300-0200 - Room Rate: \$89 king or \$99 double  
(mention ACBL Tournament @ Shriners)

### TownePlace Suites by Marriott

10610 Westpark Dr, Houston TX 77042  
(713) 266-2210 - Room Rate: \$69 king or \$109 2 bdr studio

### Covid Safety

See Unit 174 website (acblunit174.org)  
for latest guidelines

### Playing Schedule (single session UNO)

Friday & Saturday, Oct 28th & 29th

Ghostly Ghouls Open Pairs (2 sessions)	10 & 2:30
Hayride Haunting 299'r Pairs	10 & 2:30
Spooky Side Game	10 & 2:30
FLM 0-50 Gemini Pairs	10 & 2:30
Bracketed Swiss (2 sessions)	10 & 2:30

### Sunday, Oct 30th

Ghostly Ghouls Open Pairs	10 & TBD
Hayride Haunting 299'r Pairs	10 & TBD
Bracketed Swiss (2 sessions)	10 & TBD

### Please Be Scent-sitive

No Cologne

No Perfume

No Offensive Odors

### Tournament Chairs

Clif Rice

clif709@aol.com  
(832) 541-7067

Sarah Springer

SarahSpringerBridge@gmail.com  
(281) 904-5791

**For latest copy of flyer,  
please visit unit 174 website**

**<https://ACBLunit174.org>**

Guest Speakers - TBD Friday & Saturday

Friday:

Saturday:





# AUSTIN REGIONAL WINNERS

## REGIONAL RANK ACHIEVEMENTS



New Life Master  
Burton Shepherd, Dallas



New Life Master  
Judy Bouska, Garland



New Life Master  
Charlie Chen



New Life Master,  
Johara Nour, Houston



Bronze Life Master  
Ann Roe, Austin



Ruby Life Master  
Ann Kuehler, New Braunfels







Mon Brkt Swiss Teams, Brkt 1  
Anne LaCour, Georgetown - Ron LaCour,  
Georgetown, Harold George, Wichita KS,  
Thomas Peters, Grapeland



Mon & Tue Brkt Swiss Teams, Brkts 2&3  
Allan Chernov, Irving, Linda Schubert, Dallas,  
Brian Eaton, Fort Worth,  
Ross Ramsey, Flower Mound



Monday Top Flight Pairs, Flt B  
Andrew & Charlie Chen, Austin



Tuesday & Wednesday Open Pairs, Flt B  
Mark Craig - Brett Leach, Austin



Tuesday Gold Rush, Flt A  
Margie Portela, Dallas, Judy Bouska,  
Garland



Tuesday Open Pairs, Flt C  
Ann Roe, Austin - Stuart Litwin,  
Round Rock



Tuesday Brkt  
Swiss Teams, Brkt 2  
Lynne Trigg, Southlake  
Rosalee Hacker, Southlake  
Karen Jennings, Lafayette LA  
Rupa Shah, Houston





# MORE AUSTIN REGIONAL WINNERS



Tuesday Round Robin Teams, Bracket 1  
Peggy Craig, El Paso, Margaret Hart, Baton Rouge,  
Bob Craig, El Paso, Ishmael Del'Monte, Las Vegas



Wednesday Round Robin Teams, Bracket 3  
Kathy Russler Dallas, Anne Goodman, Fairview,  
Burton Shepherd, Dallas, John Luebkmann, Addison



Wednesday 2-Ses Goldrush Pairs Flt B  
Dionne Green, Austin  
Suzanne Deaderick, Austin



Wednesday Gold Rush Pairs, Flt C  
Cindy McCauley, Billie Ogens  
Georgetown



Wednesday Open Pairs, Flt A  
Jack Lacy, Lago Vista  
Jeff McKee, Cleveland, Tx



Wednesday Open Pairs, Flt C  
David Richard, Fulshear,  
Nile Gross, Katy



Wednesday PM Side Game Pairs, Flt A  
Alexander Labry, Austin,  
Simone Scumpia, Austin



Thursday Top Flight Open Pairs, Flt A  
Carolyn Riely, San Antonio  
Terry Riely, San Antonio





Wednesday Round Robin Teams, Bracket 1  
Ellen Hessel & Ira Hessel, San Antonio  
Finn Kolesnik, Austin, Kenneth Schutze, Austin



Wednesday Round Robin Teams, Bracket 2  
Sunny Laird, Marble Falls, Ken Hanson, Austin,  
Richard Day, Horseshoe Bay,  
Michael Luckenbach, Kingsland



Thursday Brkt Swiss Teams, Brkt 2  
Jay Evert, Houston,  
Paddy Fiorino, Missouri City,  
Marie Smerjac, Castle Rock CO,  
Karen Gorenstein, Centennial CO



Thursday 2 Session Goldrush Pairs, Flt A  
Bama Hill, Kyle,  
John Whittaker, San Marcos



Thursday & Friday Brkt Swiss Teams, Brkt 1  
Sam Dinkin, Austin, Kalyan Venkat, Round Rock,  
Freeman Jacob, Toronto ON, Nancy Joe, Austin





# & MORE AUSTIN REGIONAL WINNERS



Friday Brkt Swiss Teams, Brkt 2  
Ann Kuehler, New Braunfels, Catherine McGaffic,  
Canyon Lake, Yesh Singh, San Antonio  
Elisabeth Kay, Spring Branch



Friday Brkt Swiss Teams, Brkt 3  
Karen Jennings, Lafayette LA  
Rupa Shah, Houston - Richard Day, Horseshoe Bay,  
Michael Luckenbach, Kingsland



Friday Brkt  
Swiss Teams, Brkt 4  
Ann Denton, Austin,  
Kevin Orr, Austin,  
Stuart Litwin, Round Rock,  
Linda Gaston, Pflugerville



Friday 2 Session Goldrush Pairs, Flt B  
Dian Atchison, Georgetown.  
Mike Atchison, Georgetown



Friday Open Pairs, Flt A  
Kim Brinkman, Austin,  
Jeff Dater, Fairhope AL



Saturday 2 Session Goldrush Pairs Flt A  
Susan Breeding, Austin,  
Amy Salisbury, Austin (NP)



Saturday 2 Session Open Pairs Flt A  
James La Fountain, Temple,  
Ron LaCour, Georgetown





Saturday Brkt Swiss Teams, Brkt 1  
Alexander Labry, Austin, Jacob Freeman,  
Toronto ON, Finn Kolesnic, Los Angeles CA  
Sam Dinkin, Austin, Larry Davis, Austin (NP)



Saturday Brkt Swiss Teams, Brkt 2  
Jay Evert, Houston, Nancy Strohmer, Houston,  
Paddy Fiorino, Missouri City,  
Karen Tabak Nussbaum, Houston



Saturday Brkt  
Swiss Teams, Brkt 3  
Simone Scumpia, Austin  
Paul Johnston, Austin  
W Kenneth Davis, Austin  
John Foley, Austin



Sunday Brkt  
Swiss Teams Brkt 1  
Cheri Gross, Austin  
Kathy Sinkin-Amor, San Antonio  
Ronald Kunkel, Leander  
Charlene Coor, Austin





# & MORE AUSTIN REGIONAL WINNERS



Sunday Brkt Swiss Teams, Brkt 2 (Tie)  
Cindy McCauley, Georgetown, Bonnie Dennis,  
Georgetown, Billie Ogens, Georgetown  
Virginia Miller, Georgetown



Sunday Brkt Swiss Teams, Brkt 2 (Tie)  
Robert Thornton, Horseshoe Bay, Janet Daniel,  
Horseshoe Bay, Richard Day, Horseshoe Bay,  
Michael Luckenbach, Kingsland

Sun Top Flight  
Swiss Teams Flt A  
Bill McCarty, San Antonio OK,  
Rosemary Kelley, San Antonio,  
Daniel Jackson, Spring,  
Roxie Tom, San Antonio



Sun Top Flight  
Swiss Teams, Flts X & Y  
Andrew Chen, Austin,  
Charlie Chen, Austin,  
Sarah Chen, Austin,  
Steve Chen, Austin





# AUSTIN AUGUST 0-200 WINNERS



Saturday & Sunday, Flt A  
Cindy McCauley & Susan Angle,  
Georgetown



Saturday & Sunday, Flt B  
Val Hrobsky & Teresa Mack,  
Georgetown



Saturday, Flt C  
Michael & Gwendolyn Atchison,  
Georgetown



Sunday, Flt C  
Jeanette & Russell Lynne,  
Georgetown





**0-50 PLAYERS**

♠ ♥ *Please Join Us!* ♦ ♣

**Come play and practice in a fun environment with other newcomers in the 0-50 point range.**

**EVERY MONDAY**

**4:00 to 5:40 pm CST on BBO**

Email Kim Brinkman at [beginner20bridge@gmail.com](mailto:beginner20bridge@gmail.com)

She will follow up and give you instructions on how to find the game.




**THE 99ER NITE CLUB**

**GREAT PLAY, LESSONS & LOADS OF FUN!**

**And...It's Only for You, New Players!**

District 16 now has a BBO game just for the 0 to 99 player—  
**the "99er Nite Club"!**

**When:** 6pm, 7 days a week  
**Where:** Your Online Club\*

**Perks:**

- ✓ More Masterpoints (cross club scoring)
- ✓ Mini-Lessons by Lynn Berg at 5:30 pm

\*Check to make sure your club is participating. If your club has questions they should contact Nancy Strohmmer at: [nastrohmmer@yahoo.com](mailto:nastrohmmer@yahoo.com)



**199ER NITE CLUB**

*Ready to Graduate from the 0 to 99 Game?*

**D16's 199ER NITE CLUB GAME ON BBO IS YOUR NEXT STEP!**

**7 DAYS A WEEK AT 6:05 PM CST**

- ✓ Recent graduates of the 0 to 99 group can play in a game with players of the same ability.
- ✓ Work during the day? Graduates continue to grow skills at a time that's "worker friendly".
- ✓ Safe environment where no sharks are allowed, because the game is limited to 199 mpts.
- ✓ Clubs benefit too and continue to receive payments for their participating players.

Clubs must be signed up to participate, just like for the 99ER NITE CLUB game.  
Contact Nancy Strohmmer for details: [nastrohmmer@yahoo.com](mailto:nastrohmmer@yahoo.com)

*New Game in Town*




**WANT MORE EXPOSURE FOR YOUR ONLINE CLUB GAME?**

Send me the info and I'll list it in Scorecard

*[D16-Scorecardeditor@twc.com](mailto:D16-Scorecardeditor@twc.com)*







# Fall into Bridge

Thurs.-Sun., Sept. 15-18, 2022

ACBL Tournament

Regionally Rated - All Times Eastern



## Daily Two-Session Events

Award Gold & Red Points - Must Play Both Sessions - \$30 per player

### Midday Two-Session Event Schedule

- 1:15 pm & 4:45 pm ET**      **Golden Corn Maze Gold Rush Pairs** (750/400/200)  
No player may have more than 750 masterpoints
- 1:15 pm & 4:45 pm ET**      **Apple Picking Mid-Flight Pairs** (3000/1250)  
No player may have more than 3000 masterpoints
- 1:15 pm & 4:45 pm ET**      **Pumpkin Spice Top-Flight Pairs** (unlimited/4000)



## Daily Intermediate/Newcomer Events

Award Red points - Single Session

Play in One, Two, Three or All Four Events - \$15 per player, per session

- 10:15 am, 1:30 pm, 5:00 pm & 8:00 pm ET**      **Touchdown 499er Pairs** (500/300/100)(No 8pm Sunday)  
No player may have more than 500 masterpoints



## Daily Side Games

Play in at least two sessions of the same series for a chance to win gold!

Play in One, Two, Three or All Four Sessions - \$15 per player, per session

- 10:15 am ET**      **Creaking Staircase Side Game Series**  
(unlimited/1500/500)
- 1:30 pm ET**      **Rattling Chains Side Game Series**  
(unlimited/1500/500)
- 5:00 pm ET**      **Flickering Lights Side Game Series**  
(unlimited/1500/500)
- 8:00 pm ET**      **Howling Wind Side Game Series**  
(unlimited/1500/500)(No Sunday)



Stratification for all events is by the average masterpoint holding of the pair. In any event with an upper masterpoint limit, neither player may exceed the limit for the event. Masterpoint awards for all single-session events are red points



# KERRVILLE SECTIONAL WINNERS



Thu Morning 499er , Flt A  
Jerry Eaton, Terri Eaton



Thu Morning 499er , Flt C  
Ginny Russell, Jacquelyn Aldredge  
(not pictured)



Thu Morning Open , Flt A  
George Fillis, Karen Fillis



Thu Morning Open , Flt B  
Bob Otis, Beth Gale



Thu Morning Open , Flt C  
Gerald Irion, Donald Jackson



Thu Afternoon 499er , Flt A  
Connie Conley, Dave Conley



Thu Swiss , Flt A  
Dave Swarhout, Ellen Hessel  
Donna Swarhout, Ira Hessel



Thu Swiss , Flt B  
Steve Hultquist, Jean Blilie  
Susan Hernandez, Jeri Tribo





Thu Swiss, Flt C  
Harvey Browning, Sunny Laird,  
Liz Hinkle, Richard Day



Fri Morning, 499er - Flt A  
Peggy Baker, Marye Tharp NP



Fri Morning Open , Flt A  
Donna Swarthout, Dave Swarthout



Fri Morning Open , Flt B  
Andy Villastrigo, Susan Hernandez



Fri Morning Open , Flt C  
Yesh Singh, Joe Hsiau



Fri Afternoon 499er , Flt A  
Kurt Smith, Lisa Smith



Fri Afternoon Open , Flt A  
Beth Bromberg, John Bromberg



Fri Afternoon Open , Flt B  
Carol Ramberg, Mary Harrington





# MORE KERRVILLE SECTIONAL WINNERS



Fri Afternoon Open , Flt C  
Linda Vincent, Susan Hamm



Sat Afternoon Open , Flt A, B  
Kathryn Bailey, Barbara Morgan



Sat Afternoon Open , Flt C  
Yesh Singh, Joe Hsiau



Sat Morning 499er , Flt A  
Rebecca Barton, Janece Tucker



Sat Morning Open , Flt A, B  
Sunny Laird, Harvey Browning  
(not pictured)



Sun Swiss , Flt A  
Gary Anziani, Ed Rawlinson  
Donna Swarhout, Dave Swarhout





New Life Master  
Linda Vincent



Sat Morning Open , Flt C  
Gerald Irion, Donald Jackson

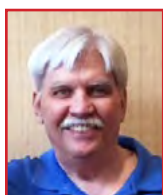


Sun Swiss , Flt C  
Rebecca Barton, Janece Tucker  
Ann Kuehler, Cindy Cummins



Sun Swiss , Flt B  
Andy Villastrigo, Susan Hernandez  
John Hilbig, Jeri Tribo





SAN ANTONIO  
UNIT 172  
EVERETTE LEWIS

Lunke and Debbie Schweiss for the ladies, and Bob Otis and Bob Watson for the gentlemen; were awarded prizes.

In the game that followed, there were twenty tables in the open and six in the 499ers. In the Overalls; Flight A winners were Ed Rawlinson and Everette Lewis, Flight B winners were Dolores Reilly and John Hilbig, and Flight C winners were Lew Spurlock and Mary Harrington. In the 499er game, Jeanne Binovi and Gloria Harkey were first in A, and Phyllis Monical and Ann Kenney were first in B and C.

Our upcoming Sectionals include: the New Braunfels Sectional, September 8th through 11th; the Diane Olson Election Sectional, October 12th through 15th (note: Wednesday through Saturday); and the Ed Rawlinson Winter Sectional, January 18th through 21st, 2023.

Preparations are well underway for the 2023 Summer Regional, July 3rd through 9th, 2023. John Hilbig is the chairman for that tournament.

**Everette Lewis**  
Unit 172



HOUSTON  
UNIT 174  
JACK LAVIGNE

### **Awesome August Sectional**

Houston's Awesome August Sectional was held at the Arabia Shriners, August 11 – 14. Tournament chairs Greg May and John DuBose, along with the other board members and volunteers, produced a terrific event.

The Arabia Shriners women's auxiliary provided lunch on Saturday and Sunday with the proceeds going to the Shriner's Children's hospital.

The Hospitality was out of sight, culminating in a delicious Demeris Bar-B-Q lunch on Sunday.

Daniel Jackson dubbed the team consisting of Dan Morse, Tom Breed, Buddy Hanby, Gil Micheletti Sally Wheeler and Joe Quinn, *Dan's Destroyers*. The team has terrific credentials with Dan being a World champion and Dan, Buddy, Joe and Sally having multiple national championships. They had a clean sweep, winning of all four top flight team games in the August Sectional. ***Congratulations!!!***

Another notable accomplishment was Pat Levy and Linda Sutton who achieved the highest single session score of 67.78% in the two session open pairs held Thursday through Sunday. This score was achieved in the Friday afternoon session. This score

**LBIAD.** What is that, you ask? It was an event sponsored by Unit 172. Twenty-two future bridge players met at a restaurant in San Antonio to **Learn Bridge in a Day** (*the course designed by Melissa Bernhardt and Patty Tucker of Atlanta, GA*). The unit picked up the tab for the students' meals and for the instructor, Rosemary Kelley, who did a great job; and for the helpers. There were six tables, with one helper at each table. Mary Massey was instrumental in finding the students.

For the first time in a long time, Unit 172 sponsored an Individual event for its July 16th Unit Championship Game. Fifty-two players (13 tables) showed up for the event. First Overall in flights A and B was Forrest Gray. First Overall in Flight C was Leigh Primerano. Everyone had a great time.

Hawai'ian costumes abounded at the Luau festivities. Fantastic food, prepared by our local gourmet chef, Ed Rawlinson, was served by a host of volunteers.

Our Annual Membership Meeting followed. The financial report was given, Candidates for the next election to the Board of Directors were presented, and the New Braunfels Sectional was discussed. Winners for the best Hawai'ian costume; Rena



together with their morning score won the event. The high evening score was needed as Kerr Godfrey and David Henke had a 67.22% game. The margin between first and second was less than ½ a matchpoint.

After congratulating Pat and Linda I asked Kerr and David if there was anywhere where they might have picked up a ½ matchpoint. Their wry smile told the story.

### Halloween Sectional - Oct 28-29

The Board is working on the Halloween Sectional which will be held at the Arabia Shriners located at 10510 Harwin Dr (one block East of the Beltway on Harwin).

This bewitching tournament will held Friday through Sunday, October 28 – 29. Players are encouraged to make plans early and join the ghosts and goblins for a howling good time.

### News from Unit 174 Clubs

(all club links at [www.acblunit174.org](http://www.acblunit174.org))

### Apple Duplicate Bridge Club II

On July 29, Rick Stell and Michael Novack scored a 80.69% game sitting EW during a 25 table web-movement. This is the biggest game recorded at Apple II. **Congratulations!!!**

Game schedule, Fridays at 11:30 at Tracy Gee Community Center.

### Bridge Academy of West Houston,

[bridgeacademyofwesthouston.com](http://bridgeacademyofwesthouston.com)

The Bridge Academy of West

Houston is gaining a reputation for being a very friendly playing environment. In addition to their limited invitational game held on Wednesdays at 10:30, they have an Open game on Thursdays at 10:30. The games are held at the Arabia Shriners.

International Fund games are scheduled for September.

### Bridge Club of Houston, [www.bridgeclubofhouston.com](http://www.bridgeclubofhouston.com)

September 5th- Labor Day Celebration Lasagna will be provided please bring a favorite side dish or dessert to share. Lunch/Celebration begins at 11:00 am with game to follow at noon.

### Tuesday Tidbits

Build a solid foundation with Julie Halperin Diamond Life Master and ACBL Teacher and enjoy a free lesson from 9:30 to 10:10. Game to follow begins at 10:30. We will set up partnerships for those who need it. Text Julie at 713-857-8004 with questions or concerns. Lessons are open to all!

### Mentor/Mentee F2F

Second Tuesday of each month (Sept 13<sup>th</sup>) at 10:30 a.m. Sign up at club or contact Judy Cupps @ [judy\\_n\\_al@yahoo.com](mailto:judy_n_al@yahoo.com) with any questions.

September 17th - Open game at noon. Pot luck lunch at 11:00 am, bring your favorite dish to share.

### Open Swiss Teams

4th Tuesday of each month (Sept 27th) at 10:30 a.m. (Register at the club)

### 499er Tournament

October 6th thru 9th

### Beginning Bridge with Sam Khayatt

is being offered from August 20 to December 18. The class is taught primarily on BBO and Zoom, but does include F2F supervised play sessions. The \$130 course fee covers a technology warm-up, twelve (12) lessons and six (6) supervised play sessions.

[Click here to view the lesson flyer](#) or email

[4notrumplessions@gmail.com](mailto:4notrumplessions@gmail.com) for more information.

### Clear Lake Bridge Club

[www.clearlakebridgeclub.org](http://www.clearlakebridgeclub.org)

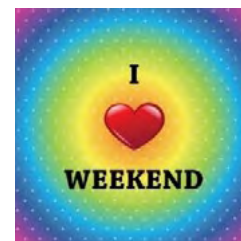
Clear Lake Bridge Club is located at 16614 Sea Lark Road, Houston 77059. Phone number is 281-480-1911.

We welcome all to any of our F2F games – open, limited or special.

Response and attendance to 8 *is Enough; Breakfast, Lesson and Bridge and the Mentor – Mentee* games continue to be great. These very successful events will be continued.

Visit the web page for details on Open, I/N, and special games including the club

*I love Weekend games.*





**Fort Bend Bridge Club,**  
[aclblunit174.org/Club\\_Web\\_Pages/fort\\_bend\\_dbc.pdf](http://aclblunit174.org/Club_Web_Pages/fort_bend_dbc.pdf)

Open game every Tuesday at 9 am at Jack's Conference Center, 3232 Austin Parkway, Sugar Land, TX 77479:

- Free coffee and snacks
- Bridge Mate II
- Hand Records
- Nice balance of friendly A, B, & C players
- Hand sanitizer and masks available
- Calls in advance appreciated

Eric Watson  
[ewat2004@aol.com](mailto:ewat2004@aol.com)  
(832) 287-9170

**Lone Star Bridge Club,**  
<https://lonestarbridgeclub.org>

Exciting news from The Lone Star Bridge Club in Conroe. A brand-new Mentor/Mentee game will be held monthly on the third Tuesday of every month. The first game in August was a great success. The next game will be Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM.

If you are interested in playing, partnerships are now being arranged by Club Manager, Linda Sutton.

**AND** a new series of bridge lessons will begin on Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022! Classes will be Tuesdays, from 10 am to Noon, and follow Audrey Grant's teaching curriculum. The cost is \$25 for all six lessons, or \$5 each. The book is available for \$15.

The exact dates of the lessons will be Sept 6, 13, 27, and October 4, 11, and 25. This leaves the third Tuesday for

the Mentor/Mentee game. The Instructor is retired teacher, Sapphire Life Master, Certified ACBL Director, and Club Manager for the Lone Star Bridge Club. Please register with:

[LindaSutton212@gmail.com](mailto:LindaSutton212@gmail.com)  
or 936-443-3600

**Jack LaVigne**  
Unit 174



DALLAS  
UNIT 176  
SCOTT NASON

**The Dallas Bridge Association – Unit 176**, encompassing Dallas and many surrounding communities – has been devoting a lot of effort to trying to “bring back” Face to Face bridge here, with some successes and some failures. The long and short of it is that play in local clubs is available at several sites – **Friendly, Valley View, McKinney, Waxahachie (Lariat)** and Our Bridge Club in **Rockwall** ... but total tables of play is woefully short of where we were pre-pandemic. And the biggest clubs – Band and Harp's (formerly Dorsey's) are gone for good.

Donna and Chris Compton closed Band when the pandemic started, built a highly successful online presence on BBO and have now moved to Omaha, where we wish them well.

Jim Harp bought Dorsey's club in December 2019 but has now closed the club in the face of the pandemic-induced reduction in F2F participation.

On the other hand, we are feeling cautiously optimistic about our F2F special events.

Our early reentry into tournaments and Unit Games has gone quite well, especially the Unit Games that are attracting a “full house”, reaching our maximum capacity of 25 tables.

Our third and latest Unit Game was played on August 7, in two flights. Winners in Flight A were Bob Friz and Eric Diamond. The B strat in Flight A was won by Valerie and Dale Remmers, and strat C was won by Jianbo Chen and Jin Chu. Flight B was won by Debrah and Michael Chockley, with Louse Shanley and Judy Bouska topping the second strat.

Our first Regional in three years will have been held over Labor Day and I will report on that in the next issue.

The Unit had more than our fair share of successes at the NABCs in Providence. New to Unit 176, Eric Greco led all Dallasites with 231.5 points won, followed by Bart Bramley with 176.6. Eric came in second in the prestigious von Zedtwitz Life Masters Pairs and sixth in the Roth Open Swiss Teams. Bart made it to the semi-finals in the Spingold KO Teams, along with teammate and fellow Dallasite Bob Hamman, and finished 16<sup>th</sup> in the von Zedtwitz. Hua Yang and Yan Song finished fifth in the 0-10000 Pairs. And congrats





to Pawel Hanus and Ari Sippola, whose Flight A GNT team came in second. My apologies to several others who also turned in impressive results.

I will not name all of the new rankers or leaders in the Mini-McKenney races, all of which can be found elsewhere.

But a few shout outs: Milt Neher is not only leading his 5000-7500 race as of the end of July, his 678 points leads the Unit overall, followed closely by Chris Compton, Eric Greco and Mike Passell. All four are in the top seven district-wide.

Next up? Fresh off of what I hope was a very successful Labor Day Regional, we will hold our Fall Sectional November 2-5 at the Lovers Lane United Methodist Church at 9200 Inwood Road in Dallas.

*Hope to see you there!*

**Scott Nason**  
**Unit 176**



**SOUTH TEXAS**  
**UNIT 187**  
**MARY ANNE**  
**WILKINSON**

Unit 187 congratulates two new Life Masters in the Victoria Duplicate Club: Pat Roeh and Susan Wheeler. Mrs. Wheeler also attained the Bronze Life Master! In Laredo, Amy Allen attained Regional Life Master.



We'll done particularly during these times!

In Rockport, Carita Gould celebrated her 90th birthday on July 9 at the Women's Club. Among the 60 in attendance were 17 family members! A delicious barbecue was enjoyed by all.



The Corpus Christi club welcomes Dave Becker, a transfer from Utah, but previously from District 16's U174, where he was very active on the board and as treasurer. We hope to include him soon in our activities.

**Mary Anne Wilkinson**  
Unit 187



**SABINE NECHES**  
**UNIT 201**  
**DON MOSS**

Greetings from the Beaumont-San Augustine-Orange-Sam Rayburn clubs .First things first:

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**  
We will be hosting the" Beaumont Gusher Regional "from Tuesday October 17 to Sunday October.23 Lots of games ,lots of points.

We have been absent from the Scorecard lately ,but we have been busy playing bridge and having some great get togethers .So lets get started catching up.

From Thursday, March 3rd to Friday March 5th, we had our 66th Annual Beaumont Spindletop Tournament. In the Thursday morning round, Darlyn Dusek and Madhu Moza finished 1st N/S in A,B,C stratification with a 65.8% game. John and Nancy Smalley finished 1st E/W in A with a 59.00 game. Jerry Gore and Edrumussen finished 1st E/W in B with a 56.55% game and Lawrence and Harlene Michaels finished 1st E/W in C with a 54.29% game.

In the Thursday afternoon session, Martha Siglar and Edwina Landrum finished 1st in A N/S with a 57.84% game. Jennie Stone and Laura Chandler finished 1st in B with a 57.01% game and Janis Williams and Helen Willams were 1st in C with a 55.28% game. E/W, Don and Juinez Moss finished 1st in A & B with a 64.24% game and





Daylyn Dusek and Madhu Moza finished 1st in C with a 53.34% game.

In Friday morning session, John and Nancy Smalley finished 1st N/S in A with a 67.25% game, Susan Gore and Tim Stelly finished 1st N/S in B with a 57.8% game and Joe Moore and Linda Schurt finished 1st N/S in C with a 56.44% game. On the E/W side of the table, Lawrence and Harlene Michaels finished 1st in A/B/C with a 63.64% game.

On Friday afternoon, we had an open game and a Limited 299er game. In the open game, John and Nancy Smalley finished 1st N/S in A with a 63.62% game, Susan Gore and Janis Williams finished 1st N/S in B with 57.53% and Valerie and Bob Townley-Smith were 1st in C with a 46.31% game. Dana Hasting and Jan Galey were 1st E/W with 65.71% and Ronnie Martin and Brad Chadler were 1st in B/C with 54.97%. In the 299er game, G. Maxie Moye and Rita Moss were 1st in A/B/C with 64.04%.

In the Saturday morning game, James Breihand and Tom Sneed were 1st N/S with a 62.80% game. Susan Gore and Tim Stelly (B), William Delboy and Valerie Townley-Smith (B/C) and G. Maxine Moye and Rita Moss (B/C) all finished tied for 1st in their section with 49.41% game. David Richard and Courtney Coffman were 1st in A/B E/W with 63.25%, Lawrence and Harlene Michaels were 1st E/W in C with 55.03%.

In the Saturday afternoon game, John and Nancy Smalley were 1st

in A N/S with a 65.15% game, Phyllis Ryan and Loretta Gary were 1st in B with a 58.9% game and Mary Ellen Vail and Carlee Kehna tied with Ernie Schluter and EW Sweeney for 1st in C with 45.27%. E/W Verna and Wilbur Dahlquist were 1st in A with 68.94, Susan Gore and Tim Stelly were 1st in B with 55.68% and Lawrence and Harlene Michaels were 1st in C with 47.73%.

For the Tournament we had a total of 75 tables, great food and a great time.

### BLING

On March 27, we had a “Bling” party at which we honored our members who had achieved higher standing in the ACBL.

Below are the honorees. Congratulations to all for their accomplishment.

On April 30, we honored our newest life masters, Lawrence and Harlene Michaels with a life master party. Dinner for their party was supplied by their friends at Sam Rayburn and was enjoyed by all.



Harlene & Lawrence Michaels



(from left) Phyllis Ryan (Ruby), Billie Carter (Ruby), Linda Briggs (Silver), Carol McGill (Sapphire), Juinez Moss (Ruby), Don Moss (Ruby) and Jerry Heckman (Ruby).



On June the 18th we honored Tim Stelley for achiveing the rank of Gold Life Master. The brisket was wonderful (as were all the side dishes).



Tim Stelley



**ANNUAL LONGEST DAY FUNDRAISER**

*On June 22nd, we had our annual "Longest Day" fund raiser for the Alzheimer's Association. For the two sessions, we had 20 tables and raised a total of \$3265 for this great cause.*





Back Row: Arline Meyers, Helen Williams, Norma Crane, Ruby Collins, Billie Carter, Loretta Gary, Martha Sigler, Vivian Breedlove

Front Row: Patricia Schiwart, Betty Kerwin, Phyllis Ryan, Phyllis Mann Dolores Belton, Flora Gillispie

Center: June Eddingston Not shown: Joan Hataway

### NIFTY NINETY'S PARTY:

On July 23rd, we had a "Nifty Ninety's Party" (shown above) at which we honored all the players in our club 90 years of age or older. This year we had 16 honoree's, all but 1 who played in Saturdays game.

These ladies (ladies in the finest sense of the word) are a blessing to all who have the privilege of playing with and against them at the bridge table. We are blessed to have them all as members.



FORT CONCHO  
UNIT 204  
NEAL PERLMAN

The following is based on recollections of local players with some info from the web. Bridge is rooted in a game called Whist in the 17th century and popular with the English nobility. Four players were dealt 13 cards each.

With no auction to determine the trump suit, the objective was to take as many "tricks" as possible. In 1742, Edmond Hoyle wrote a book on the rules of Whist. Whist changed into

Auction bridge where one had to announce how many tricks were declared.

The first duplicate game was played in 1857 thanks to Henry Jones Cavendish. However, it was slow to become as popular as Auction Bridge.

In 1925 Harold Vanderbilt modified the scoring method and rebranded Contract Bridge. Ely Culbertson promoted bridge in the 20s-30s and established the Bridge World magazine. In 1936, Charles Goren wrote his first book called Point Count in Bridge.

Duplicate bridge started in San Angelo in the 1940's. L.T. Barber started the club and he was the director. Play occurred at the



St. Angelus Hotel. The San Angelo Duplicate Bridge Club membership list in 1953 numbered 122. Phone numbers were 4 or 5 digits.

The hotel was torn down in 1964 and then duplicate bridge moved to a rental space within the Fort Concho Historic Site.

Sue Barber assumed the duties of Director when her husband L.T. died. Sue was honored in 1985 by the American Contract Bridge League, District 16.

The Oswald Jacoby service award plaque says “*for her outstanding contribution to the promotion of bridge.*”



Sue Barber's Oswald Jacoby Service Award

In 1991 the current unit location on Locust Street was purchased. The unit building was named the Sue Barber Bridge Center to honor her many contributions to duplicate bridge upon her retirement.



Sue Barber

Sue Barber was the guiding force behind Duplicate Bridge in San Angelo for decades. When her health began failing she took Sue Henry under her wing and taught her the skills of directing a bridge game. Sue Henry learned from a master, and we appreciate the many years she directed at the club!

### Neal Perlman

Unit 204



AMISTAD  
(WESTERN MEXICO)  
UNIT 205  
MARY ANN WHITE

We hope you are planning to attend our Puerto Vallarta Regional Tournament (see flyer pg xx) from October 31-November 6 at the Westin Resort & Spa.

We look forward to seeing you again after our two-year

hiatus. Here is some important information about hotel reservations and our tournament check-in procedures:

### Hotel Reservations:

It's not too early to make your reservations at the Westin. Our room block is filling up quickly. Once it is filled, the bridge rate cannot be guaranteed, but is "subject to availability." Here is a direct link that you can use to make your reservations at the bridge rate: [Get My Bridge Rate](#). The last day to book the bridge rate is October 10.

### Tournament Check-in Procedures:

ACBL continues to require proof of vaccination for players attending ACBL tournaments. Accordingly, we will be available at selected times on Sunday, October 30, and Monday, October 31 for you to check-in, show your proof of vaccination, and receive a wristband to be worn throughout the tournament. (Check-in will also be available daily for those arriving later in the week.)

*Please do not arrive without a copy of your proof of vaccination!*

Check our website at [www.pvregional.com](http://www.pvregional.com) closer to the event for details about the available check-in times.

Other information available from our website at [www.pvregional.com](http://www.pvregional.com) includes a schedule of events, flyer, partnership request form, and contact information for our tournament chair if you have any





questions. Can't wait to see you at the tournament. It will be fun!

In other Unit 205 news, we had some big games at the Lake Chapala Club. Peter Luciano and Liz Naidoff scored 71.1% on June 24 in the 299r game (4 tables). Jimmy Reynolds and Boyce Robbins posted 72.73% on June 30 (6.5 tables). Andrew Small and Boyce Robbins hit the mark on July 5 with 71.88% (5.5 tables). And Boyce did it a third time with Dagmar Rettberg on July 19, scoring 72.22% (5 tables). Can't stop that guy! And another of our 299r pairs, John Gray and Lee Wagar, brought home 72.50% on July 8 (3 tables).

The Unit Championship on June 25 was won by Mary Ann White and Bill Bergh with 64.58%. And on July 30, the Unit Championship winners were Andrew Small and Louise Morel with 56.49% (4 tables).

***Congratulations to all!***

**Mary Ann White**  
Unit 205



**TEXAS CAPITAL  
UNIT 207**  
RACHELL JACKSON

The Firecracker Regional was great fun and quite rewarding for all. Check out the article "Austin Regional Winners" for photos of event winners and players who achieved a new rank. Congratulations to you all.



Charlie Chen

And special recognition to Charlie Chen, one of our younger Life Masters.

This has been a long hot summer. . . a perfect time to get out of the heat and play a few boards. Players are competing in club games to "qualify" to play in the District NAP games at the Austin Sectional, January 7-8, 2023. It's nice to see the competition in the clubs pick up a bit.

Kudos to Georgetown players and organizers Betsy Lidgely, Rita Wiegenstein, Billie Ogens, and Inez and Don Grider! At the recent 0-200 Sectional held at the

Bridge Center of Austin (BCA), Georgetown players took top honors both Saturday and Sunday. Cindy McCauley and Susan Angle placed first in Flight A both days. Val Hrobsky and Teresa Mack placed first in Flight B both days. In Flight C, Michael and Gwendolyn Atchison placed first on Saturday; Jeanette and Russell Lynne placed first on Sunday. ***Congratulations to you all.***

Jean Durocher hosted the June Milestone Luncheon. Steve Luning is a Regional Master, Sandy Reynolds is a Life Master, and Mark Craig is Gold Life Master. Gerald Urbach celebrates achieving Regional Master rank.



Gerald Urbach (Regional Master)

**LARRY DAVIS**

Larry Davis is one of the cornerstones of bridge in Austin, and has been for many years.

Larry currently manages and directs four games in Austin: Tuesdays (12PM) at the South Austin Senior Activity Center; Thursdays (12PM) in Westlake at the Austin Ridge Bible Church on Bee Cave Road; and Tuesday and





Steve Luning (Regional Master), Sandy Reynolds (Life Master), and Mark Craig (Gold Life Master).

graduate school. He took about a year from bridge, then started playing at the “old” bridge studio on Palo Duro. He made Life Master in 1990 (after 21 years of on-and-off again playing with no stratification, few tournaments, fewer special games and lower masterpoint awards).

Larry’s first game to manage and direct was in

Thursday evenings at his house. Larry frequently directs at Unit events.

When I asked Larry about his bridge background he said it goes back to his junior year of high school in Corpus Christi, when a senior boy taught three junior boys to play. They didn’t have summer jobs and played a lot of bridge, basic bidding (Stayman and Blackwood), but they learned to play the cards fairly well.

Larry looked for bridge clubs, “. . . in the yellow pages (remember those) and found a listing. I and another junior showed up and were told that the fee was \$1.25 (in 1969).

We did not have any money, but the director (wisely) let us play anyway. That was my first duplicate experience. No bidding boxes and no stratification. We enjoyed it and returned the next week with money (for both games).”

Larry played some in college, where the director was a very prim and proper older woman who ran the game, “With an iron hand (in velvet gloves). If you were even a little bit late and would create a half-table, you went home. If you filled out the movement, she let you play but you got severely chastised (in a ladylike manner).”

After five years in the US Navy, Larry came to Austin for

South Austin, at the persistent request of another bridge player.

Then he took over the game at the Lamar Senior Center from Bob Chambers. That game was “kicked out” of the Senior Center because it was the only night activity and required two people to staff the center.

Larry said, “The rent I paid them was not remotely enough to cover their costs. The game moved to the club house at Mesa Village Condominiums, where I lived at one time. It continued for a while because another bridge player (who bought my condo) could sponsor it. When she moved, I had to move the game and asked the wife if we could have it temporarily at our house until I could find another location. Miracle of miracles, she said that I could have it permanently at the house.”

Then there’s the Thursday night game at Larry’s house,



Larry Davis





which was started at the request of Esther Ellis (and others) to have a “gentle” game for newer players.

When the bridge center on Palo Duro closed and before the BCA opened (several years later), Larry ran all of the open duplicate bridge games in the Austin area. Unit events were held on Saturdays at the Northwest Recreation Center.

There were also games at the Dell Jewish Community Center, the Jewish Temple on Shoal Creek and the Presbyterian Church in Allandale. Larry did not personally direct all of those games, he was the club manager.

Larry said, “Kevin Perkins and Scott Humphrey, new directors at the time, ran several games. Most of my games are now small after the pandemic, 2-4 tables.”

In addition to making bridge available all over Austin, Larry has served on the Unit 207 Board on two different occasions, one term he was the Vice President. Then, he ran a few sectionals and numerous regionals. Larry was the Unit 207 District Representative for many years, and served as the District 16 President for one year.

He said, “Fortunately, nothing happened during that one year.” Shortly after, Larry was honored with the District Jacoby Award, only the third person from Unit 207 to receive that special award.

Currently Larry coordinates District NAP activities and is the unit business manager. As business manager, he proposes dates to the Unit Board for unit events (such as, the City Championship) and tournaments.

After getting Board approval, he schedules the events with the ACBL.

Larry also negotiates contracts with hotels for sectionals and regionals—he’s gets amazing rates and perks!

Obviously, Larry has experienced (and helped make) bridge history in the Austin area. Here’s some of what he recalls:

“The bridge population in Austin is definitely older than it was in 1980. Then, there were many players in their 30’s and 40’s. The most well-attended club events were in the evenings. Day games had mostly women players.

“People often played three times per day at tournaments. Two-session events were afternoon and evening. Regionals had midnight events (you snooze, you lose), which were well attended. People sometimes played four events in one day.

Now, only national tournaments have midnight events. There was no bracketed Swiss—knockouts were the main team events. Boards were duplicated by hand by the players at the start of the game.

Match-pointing was done by hand by directors and tallying all of the results was also done by hand. Part of the directors’ exam (not done on a computer) was knowing how to matchpoint a traveler, including if an A+, A or A- had been awarded or if there was a fouled board. Directors got to be quite good at mentally adding up lots of numbers.

There was a tie for a place if the difference was less than one-half. (Now a difference .01 is enough.) Results were not often finalized until 30-45 minutes after the event was over.

Saturday nights at regionals often had live entertainment – a dance band. People dressed up on Saturdays.”

Larry is part of the glue that keeps bridge together in Austin. He’s a great resource for knowing how things work (or not), including how to get the optimum points in his games; he’s a fine negotiator; he has a great passion for the game, and he’s an excellent player.

*Thank you, Larry. We appreciate you.*

**Rachell Jackson**  
Unit 207



**GREATER  
PERMIAN BASIN  
UNIT 209  
ANN PARISH**

The summer was Party Time for Unit 209. Once we recovered from hosting our Tall City Tournament in June, we opened July with a Fourth of July party on July 7.

Although we were a few days late, many of us wore red, white, and blue to celebrate.

Thanks to **Paula Bayley** for our festive decorations. Before







Dressed up for July 4<sup>th</sup>  
Belle Harris, Linda Buzan, Ann Parish, Dianne Anderson,  
Bill Brooks (with hair!)

the game, we had hotdogs with all the trimmings, potato salad, and watermelon.



Sarah Wright (Life Master)

Once we stopped eating, we played a little bridge. North/South 1<sup>st</sup> in A were **Charlie Grimes** and **Paula Bayley**. Second in A and 1<sup>st</sup> in B were **Ann Parish** and **Linda Buzan**. First in C were **Bob Reimers** and **Mary Truex**. East/West winners in A were **Scott Vaughn** and **KC Evans**. Third in A and first in B were **Larry Pitts** and **Belle**

**Harris**. First in C were **Dale Linton** and **Marty Massie**.

On July 28, we celebrated **Sarah Wright's** Life Master with barbecue, potato salad, beans, and desserts.

We had nine full tables. North/South winners in A and B were **Marlene Blumentritt** and **Dianne Anderson**. First in C were **Sarah Wright** and **Mark Beckstrom**. In East/West, first in A and B were **KC Evans** and **Scott Vaughn**. First in C were **John Marlow** and **Joan Rice**.

*Congratulations, Sarah!*

### Farewell Parties

We also had two farewell parties. In June we said goodbye to **Kathy Young**. (see picture, next page) Her husband was working in Odessa for a while, and Kathy played for several months in both Odessa and Midland with a variety of partners.

She also directed in both games when a regular director was unavailable. She has now returned to her permanent home in Lafayette, Louisiana, where she will continue to direct.

*We're glad you spent some time with us, Kathy!*

In August we also said goodbye to **Mike Robinson**. While he was based in Odessa, he often played in Midland as well. He has bought a house near his gold mining lands in Arizona, and he says he is within 1 1/2 hours of a bridge game in any direction.

*Best of luck to you, Mike!*

### Surprise Birthday

On August 4<sup>th</sup>, several friends hosted a surprise birthday party for director **Marlene Blumentritt**. (see picture next page)

Since she doesn't usually play on Thursday evenings, Sandy and Scott tricked her into coming to the game. Once there, she found balloons, cake, ice cream, and all the trimmings. **Sandy Hill, Scott Vaughn, Jimmie Jensen, Paula Bayley, Bill Brooks**, and others were quite proud of themselves for pulling off the surprise.

The game of seven tables was won by **Sarah Wright** and **Mark Beckstrom** as 1<sup>st</sup> E/W and 1<sup>st</sup> Overall. **Dianne Anderson** and **Marlene Blumentritt** were 1<sup>st</sup> N/S and 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall.

### June StaC Games

June 13 evening – **Charlie Grimes** and **Paula Bayley**: 1st in Club and District





June 14 afternoon – Paula Baggett and Kiki Powers: 1st in club and 4th in A, 3rd in B in District

June 19 afternoon – Debbie Conly and KC Evans: 1st in Club and District.

### Shuffling Machine

For about five years, Midland has been pleased to use an automatic shuffling machine. After our tournament (and some 48,000 boards), our local cleaning and maintenance was not sufficient. The machine was slowing down and errors were abundant. It was time to return it for professional servicing. With some careful advanced planning, it was sent in for a 24-hour service job. When it returned, it worked perfectly on plastic cards but needed a little more adjustment for paper cards.

It now works perfectly once again, and we had had to hand shuffle only five or six games (done by the sit-out pairs in games with half tables).

So our thanks to the shufflers and to Marlene and Bill for getting the servicing done and final adjustments made.



Kathy Young with Juanice Welch and Shirley Davenport

June 14 evening – Scott Vaughn and Travis Woodward: 1st in Club and 2nd in A, 1st in B in District

June 15 evening – Charlie Grimes and Ann Servatius: 1st in Club and 2nd in A in District

June 16 evening – Scott Vaughn and KC Evans: 1st in Club and District

June 17 afternoon – Paula Baggett and Kiki Powers: 1st in Club and 5th in District

June 17 evening – Charlie Grimes and Ann Servatius: 1st in Club and District

June 18 afternoon – Scott Vaughn and Ann Servatius tied with Flo Curry and Marlene Blumentritt: 1st in Club



Sandy Hill with Marlene Blumentritt, the birthday girl

### 70% Games

July 8 – Marilyn Matthews and Ann Servatius 73%

July 12 afternoon – KC Evans and Betty Dickerson – 71%

July 12 evening – Charlie Grimes and Paula Baggett – 73.81%

### Remembrance

We are sorry to announce that **Jim Hawkins**, age 77, passed away on July 28. He was a Life Master and a very competitive bridge player. He will be missed.



## Lessons

**Belle Harris** has started a six-day “Learn Bridge” set of lessons of three Saturday afternoons and three Monday nights. She has seven new players and several taking the lessons as a refresher. Unfortunately, one player tested as Covid positive. Because everyone was exposed, the lessons are temporarily suspended.

## Finally

I want to thank **Lonnie Yee, Bill Brooks, Belle Harris, Marlene Blumentritt, Scott Vaughn, and Linda Buzan** for their contributions to this column. Without “reporters” feeding me the news, I couldn’t do it.

*We are all looking forward to more interesting bridge and cooler weather as we move into autumn.*

## Ann Parish

Unit 209



EAST TEXAS  
UNIT 225  
SUSAN FORD

## 70-70+ Games

Nancy Green/Mary Bartley - 72% game Dottie Pirkle’s DBC 6/16

Judy Adams & Gloria Rowland: 70% game on 7/7 VanZandt DBC

Judy Adams & Gloria Rowland: 76% game on 7/22 VanZandt DBC

Lisa Looney & Curtis Bourland -75% 7/12 Pittsburg DBC

Shirley Shelton & Peggy Singer -72.5% 7/18 Longview DBC

Shirley Shelton & Peggy Singer - 77.5% 7/21 Longview DBC

Cliff Smith & Mike Graham - 70% 7/28 Longview DBC

Lottie Guttry & Pat Wright - 70% 7/28 Longview DBC

Liz Guthrie & Larry Brough - 71.88% 8/2 Pittsburg DBC

Becky Phillips & Nona Culpepper—73.75% 8/3 Shiela Bell DBC

Judy Adams/Gloria Rowland 72.62% 8/5 Van Zandt County DBC

Shirley Shelton/Peggy Singer 76% 8/11 Longview DBC

## Novice Game

Karen/Daniel Warmack 83.33% 7/13 Sheila Bell DBC

## VanZandt DBC

On June 21, our club held ACBL’s “The Longest Day” charity game benefitting the Alzheimer’s Association. We raised total contributions of \$1,750. The winners that day were 1<sup>st</sup> place, Brenda Baker & Barbara Bradford; 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Selma Dawson and Jo Ellen Wade. This game was the first time both pairs had played as partners. ***What an accomplishment!***

Judy Adams & Gloria Rowland have quite a formidable partnership. They had a 70% game on June 7<sup>th</sup> AND a 76% game on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. ***Congratulations, ladies!***

Charles Ford recently completed his “Play of the Hand” lessons which he held on Zoom. Both novice and seasoned players took his lessons and all said they really enjoyed them and learned a lot.

He plans to have more Zoom lessons in the near future. He has prepared two other courses, “2 over 1” or “New Minor Forcing, the Complete System”. If you are interested in either of those Zoom courses, please let Charles know by emailing him at [crfordsf@aol.com](mailto:crfordsf@aol.com) or calling 903-498-4506.

The date of the next Zoom class is not yet determined but when the date is scheduled, the class information will be posted on the Unit 225 Website.

Barbara Bradford will teach “Easy Bridge” beginners lessons at Mabank Tri-County Library on Monday evenings beginning Sept. 12 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. If you have friends who are interested in learning the basics of duplicate bridge, especially those who work during the day, please pass on this information to them.

They may register at [www.tricountylibrary.org](http://www.tricountylibrary.org) or call Barbara at 903-887-7390 for more information,

Most of you have heard by now that Judy Kelley has moved to San Angelo. She and Reni Brown have been loyal Canton players for years. We will really miss Judy and hope Reni will still play with us whenever she can.





**Sheila Bell DBC**  
Lisa Looney's Novice Class  
played their first game with the  
Shelia Bell DBC.

They played a 2 1/2 table Howell  
movement.

changing locations August 1st. We  
are moving back to the Methodist  
Church at 400 E 6th.

In other club news, we are





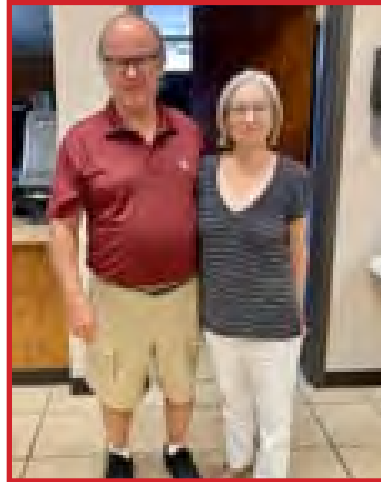
I am excited to announce our new Novice game on Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m.

We have been having about 3 tables.

Lisa Looney will be starting a new Novice class in January 2023 on Wednesdays with limited availability.



Daniel Womack and Karen Schmidt



Charles and Linda just moved to Texarkana from North Carolina

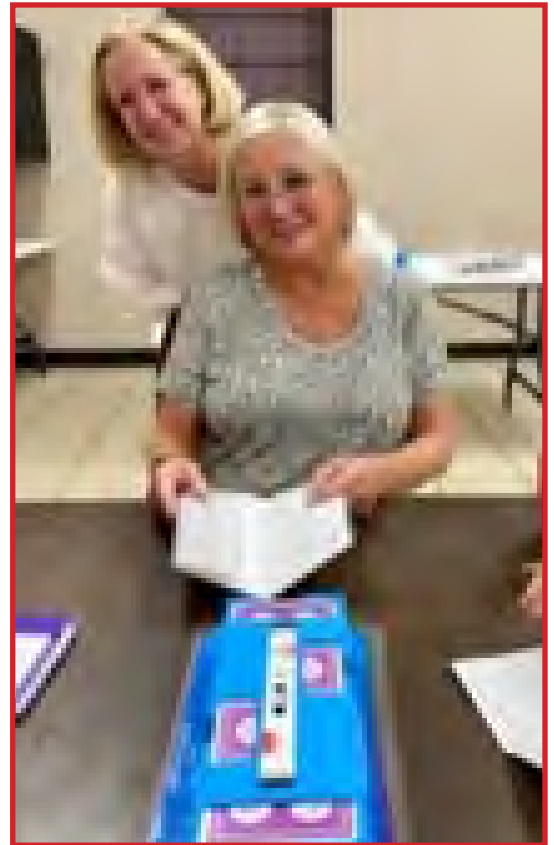


Nona Culpepper and Emily Bonner



Lisa Looney's Novice Class played their first game with the Shelia Bell DBC. They played a 2 1/2 table Howell movement.





Very excited to have 3 tables at our Novice games.





## In Memoriam

Yvonne Houston passed away on July 3rd at the age of 83 after a long illness. She and her partner Jane Bergland were some of Gun Barrel's earliest players. After Jane moved to Dallas, Yvonne played with Susan Ford.

Yvonne Houston was a very sweet patient partner. I was a novice and she took me on as a partner. Even though I made mistakes she was always so kind and did not get angry or upset. We even went to a couple of tournaments. My grandchildren called her Yovey and she loved it. They even had a game with different characters on the Nintendo and they made one of them Yovey. She was a great partner for novices. I feel blessed that I got to know her. She will be greatly missed.

Yvonne played party bridge in the Enchanted Oaks Ladies Bridge Club and the Marathon Bridge Club at Cedar Creek. For health reasons she moved to the Dallas area to be closer to her daughter. Prior to her move, she had been Linda Pillans' partner for several years and helped her earn the points that gave Linda the "Rookie of the Year" Ace of Clubs award and first place in Mini-McKenney Race (5-20 masterpoints) for the year 2016.

Yvonne was an animal lover and avidly supported Friends of the Animals at Cedar Creek Lake, which was her preferred charity. In the more recent family pictures, she has a white poodle with a LONG tail on her lap but when I played bridge with her, her Yorkie was her delight.



Osa Yvonne Houston  
February 28, 1939 - July 3, 2022



### Rose City DBC

New Life Masters  
John and  
Linda Gurasich

Susan Ford  
Unit 225





WICHITA FALLS  
UNIT 353  
MARSHA MAY

### Goodbye Wanda

Wanda Hughes has played bridge at Unit 353 for 25 years and recently moved to Pearland, Texas, to be close to her son Michael and his family.



Suzanne Sosa, Marsha May, WANDA and Carolyn Bell.



Ben Kirkland, WANDA, Joni Dodson and David Dodson



Helen Cash, Nell Lister, Lois Roberson, WANDA and Gail Simpson enjoying mimosas

Wanda was a valued player in Suite 16 and The Wichita Falls Bridge Club which are the two surviving clubs of Unit 353.

She served the Unit as a Board Member and her last labor of love was calling members every Tuesday and Saturday in order to get as many as possible for face-to-face games.

Wanda Rogers was raised in Wichita Falls and had three brothers and a sister who also was a beloved member of Unit 353. She married Bill Hughes and they had two sons, Brady and Michael. Michael

married Oxana and they had two children, Sonya and Rogers. Wanda told us that she is looking forward to seeing more of her grandchildren.







Margie Brown, Lois Roberson, WANDA and Margaret Kirkland



Pat Robinson and Wanda Hughe



Nell Lister, Faye Morrison, Margie Brown and Lois Roberson



Nell Lister, Anne Halsell, WANDA and Judith Lucas

Wanda has lost many loved ones in her family which includes two brothers, a sister,

her husband of 42 years and her youngest son Brady who was 51. She also survived many health

problems. She has had a broken ankle, two broken hips and a liver transplant.





Helen Cash, Gail Simpson, WANDA and Amy Conley



Tomie Johnson, Betsy Smith, Nancy Purcell and David Hertzog

Wanda is truly a walking miracle and even though she has had hard losses and health problems, she always returned to play bridge with a smile on her face.

We all love Wanda and will really miss her. We gave her a wonderful "Going Away Party" that included mimosas, lasagna, salads, breads and many desserts.

Unit 353 thanks all the members who made this party a sweet memory for us all. Wanda, we love you and wish you and your family the best!

Marsha May  
Unit 353



Anne Halsell and Cathy Zinn—too many choices!!





MEXICO  
UNIT 173  
MARGARITA  
DE MONTAGUD

*We are waiting for  
you in Monterrey  
in September*

*See our flyer on pg. 11*

**Margarita de Montagud**  
Unit 173



FORT WORTH  
UNIT 183  
KEN MONZINGO

The 2020 election for Unit 183 officers is to be announced in Fall. The election will be held on Friday, October 28, at the Fort Worth Bridge Studio during the sectional tournament.

To be a candidate your nomination must be submitted in writing by August 30. To nominate yourself, or other, notify any of the following unit nominating committee members:

Jean Helmers:  
[jhbridgeplayer@gmail.com](mailto:jhbridgeplayer@gmail.com)

Sue Rowe:  
[suefwwc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:suefwwc@sbcglobal.net)

Milt Birmingham  
[milt777@att.net](mailto:milt777@att.net)

For the list of current Unit 183 officers with term expirations go to: <http://d16acbl.org/U183/contacts.htm>

**North American Pairs Qualifying**

Those who qualified in the June through August North American Pairs club qualifying games will be invited to the District 16 finals January 7-8, 2023, at the Austin Sectional.

**Top Masterpoint Holders  
Unit 183 as of August 6**

1. 17,999.09 Steve Shirey
2. 17,477.81 Hugh Hillaker
3. 16,031.71 Shelba Parmley
4. 15,161.14 Linda Spangler
5. 13,627.84 Stephen Kornegay
6. 12,998.21 Ken Monzingo
7. 12,569.73 Kimmel Jones
8. 12,566.06 Nancy Kornegay
9. 10,067.08 Bill Staats
10. 9389.60 Greg Resz
11. 9152.72 Pat Cassidy
12. 9132.26 Mary Jane Orock
13. 8851.15 Richard Price
14. 8680.39 Billy Leeper
15. 8130.77 Roy Baughman
16. 8085.92 Melody Gann
17. 7774.73 David Pearlman
18. 7712.89 Hai Gates
19. 7004.21 Darlene Shirey
20. 6327.15 La Quitta Talbot
21. 6216.52 Carolyn Pinto
22. 6063.42 MerriJo Hillaker
23. 6058.89 Thomas Hughes, Jr.
24. 5887.06 Donna Rosz
25. 5581.26 Gary Neisler
26. 5347.39 Bill Ream
27. 5196.37 Carol Keller

**Club News**

**Arlington Duplicate  
Bridge Club**

A special New Life Master Party and game was held at the club Saturday, August 20 for two new LMs: Sharon Stewart and Harriet Motter.



Sharon Stewart, Wilma Hill,  
Harriett Motter, Gloria Fields



Sharon Stewart, Harriet Matter

**Refresher Lessons**

Lessons with a small training game are held Sundays at 2:00 p.m., bridge refresher mini-lessons followed by a 0-750 game. This is a fun and useful 2½ hour game session for those wanting to review or upgrade their competitive edge.

Contact Dorothy Moore  
214-334-3926 or email  
[drmoores@flash.net](mailto:drmoores@flash.net)





### Big Games this Month

At the August 1 Arlington game George Morey and Larz Smith had a 77.5% game, and Pat Cassidy and Nancy Kornegay had a 77% game - both pairs in the same game!

### Denton Bridge Studio

On June 23, 2007, the studio was formed with generous gifts from Charles Brown, Mary Lou Collins, Nancy Horvat, Jo Kuhn and Helen Olechna.

Please join us in thanking these members for making our studio a reality. Stay tuned for more information as we are planning a celebration honoring our Founders.

We are hosting an NLM/500 Sectional October 14-16, 2022.

[See flyer pg. 17.](#)

Please join us in welcoming new board members Beth DiTommaso and Ross Ramsey. **Congratulations!**

### Fort Worth

#### Milestones

Steve Shirey, Grand Life Master, National Champion, and Fort Worth Club manager has crossed the 18,000 masterpoint level to lead the unit, 23rd in the district, and move into the top 200 in ACBL all time.

Others reaching 000 milestones:  
Shelba Parmley, 16,000  
Ken Monzingo, 13,000  
Bill Staats, 10,000  
Darlene Shirey, 7,000.

### Fort Worth Bridge Studio

#### July Masterpoint Winners

1. 30.55 Billy Leeper
2. 28.67 Gary Neisler
3. 26.57 Bill Ream
4. 19.68 David Branch
5. 18.84 Mary Jane Orock
6. 18.40 Ellen Dutcher
7. 18.38 Don Greer
8. 17.85 Millie Williams
9. 17.54 Kay Jones
10. 17.44 Linda Spangler
11. 17.16 Jane Larimore



Steve Shirey

12. 17.16 Jacque Montgomery
13. 16.98 Randy Eads
14. 16.75 Cynthia Benton
15. 14.60 Ivan Uys
16. 14.55 Stanley Powell
17. 14.55 Carolyn Powell
18. 13.87 John Fee
19. 11.60 Verlyn Stahlecker
20. 11.55 Sue Ragsdale
21. 11.01 Darlene Shirey
22. 10.11 M B Howard
23. 10.09 Donna Rosz

### Reminders:

1. Kathy Coleman is teaching a new class – Bridge in Small Bites – on the first and third Mondays of each month from 10:00 to noon. Lessons are designed for players who have some bridge experience. Cost is \$10 per lesson; bring your lunch and plan to stay to play bridge in Docia's game afterwards.
2. Prepare for our upcoming Fort Western Sectional at the Bridge Studio, October 28-30.
3. Results of the election of district officers will be announced during this sectional.

### Ken Monzingo

Unit 183





# GRAPEVINE SECTIONAL WINNERS



Fri Evening Open Pairs  
Gerry McKim & Jerry Derby



Fri Morning Open Pairs  
Kimmel Jones & Bill Staats



Fri Teams Bkt A  
Milt Neher, Mike Murphy,  
Pat Cassidy & Hugh Hillaker



Sat Teams Bkt A  
Jim Brown & Jimmy Justice,  
Lauren Brown & Paula Justice



Sat Teams Bkt B  
T.R. Sartor & Frankie Lemasters,  
Hal Schulz & David Lemasters



Sunday Teams Bkt A  
Bill Staats & Nancy Kornegay,  
Kimmel Jones & Steve Kornegay



Sunday Teams Bkt B (tie)  
Mary Ellen Stanton & Barbara Odom,  
Ginger Kennedy & Ivan Uys



Sunday Teams Bkt B (tie)  
Valarie Remmers & Debrah Chockley,  
Dale Remmers & Mike Chockley





# TOOLS OF THE TRADE

Links to the New fillable Convention Card PDF and a few other helpful ACBL links

The ACBL has made it easy to fill out and print a convention card for f2f play. Download the file now and fill it out and print as you set up your tourney and club partnerships. Plus, check out the other helpful links.

Click on the link to grab a pdf for downloading.

## New Fillable Convention Card

A nice clean computer generated convention card for you and your partners to use. Just fill it out and print.

## Basic 2 over 1 Convention Card

From Larry Cohen's Conventional Wisdom Lite Series. Usable or something to follow when you fill out your own.

## Fill Out a Basic 2/1 Convention Card

Also from Larry Cohen's Conventional Wisdom Lite Series...a helpful how to.

## ACBL "Fat Free" Standard Convention Card

Keeping it simple is sometimes a great approach for newer players who can build on it as needed.

## Standard American Yellow Card

A popular simple convention card

## ACBL Instant Scorer

Nice to have for checking the accuracy of scorekeeping

## Alert Procedures Update - April 2022

Over the years, what to alert has changed. It's hard to keep track, even with this document.

Nonvulnerable				Vulnerable			
Bid	Made	Unbid	Debt	Unbid	Debt	Rebid	Rebid
1♣	500	500	500	600	750	1000	1000
1♦	620	650	1000	620	950	1400	1400
1♥	740	750	1200	640	1150	1800	1800
1♠	860	850	1500	650	850	1200	1200
2♣	640	750	1200	680	1050	1600	1600
2♦	710	850	1400	710	1250	2000	2000
2♥	540	670	1040	660	870	1240	1240
2♠	640	770	1240	690	1070	1640	1640
3♣	720	870	1440	720	1270	2040	2040
3♦	620	1080	1380	1370	1540	1830	1830
3♥	740	1190	1580	1390	1440	2230	2230
3♠	680	1210	1620	1430	1660	2070	2070
4♣	710	1310	1820	1460	1860	2470	2470
4♦	690	1220	1660	1440	1660	2110	2110
4♥	710	1330	1860	1470	1880	2310	2310
4♠	740	1460	2060	1540	2060	2660	2660
5♣	1510	1770	2240	2210	2470	2940	2940
5♦	1520	1790	2280	2220	2490	2980	2980

DEFEATED CONTRACTS				
Down	Nonvulnerable		Vulnerable	
	Unbid	Debt	Unbid	Debt
1	50	100	200	400
2	100	300	600	1000
3	150	500	1000	1600
4	200	800	1600	2200
5	250	1100	2200	2800
6	300	1400	2800	3400
7	350	1700	3400	4000
8	400	2000	4000	4600
9	450	2300	4600	5200
10	500	2600	5200	5800
11	550	2900	5800	6400
12	600	3200	6400	7000
13	650	3500	7000	7600

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1♠	860	850	1500	650	850	1200	1200
2♣	640	750	1200	680	1050	1600	1600
2♦	710	850	1400	710	1250	2000	2000
2♥	540	670	1040	660	870	1240	1240
2♠	640	770	1240	690	1070	1640	1640
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4♣	710	1310	1820	1460	1860	2470	2470
4♦	690	1220	1660	1440	1660	2110	2110
4♥	710	1330	1860	1470	1880	2310	2310
4♠	740	1460	2060	1540	2060	2660	2660
5♣	1510	1770	2240	2210	2470	2940	2940
5♦	1520	1790	2280	2220	2490	2980	2980





# Dallas Fall Sectional November 2-5, 2022

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Dallas, TX 75229

**Snacks and Drinks Every Day!**  
**Cashless Payments Only!**



## Wednesday, November 2

Stratified Open and 299er Pairs (Single Sessions)	10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Sessions, No player over 3000 MPs)	10:00 am & 2:30 pm
AXY Stratified Swiss Teams (2 sessions)	10:00 am & 2:30 PM

## Thursday, November 3

Stratified Open and 299er Pairs (Single Sessions)	10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Sessions, No player over 3000 MPs)	10:00 am & 2:30 pm
AXY Stratified Swiss Teams (2 sessions)	10:00 am & 2:30 PM

## Friday, November 4

Stratified Open and 299er Pairs (Single Sessions)	10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Sessions, No player over 3000 MPs)	10:00 am & 2:30 pm
AXY Stratified Swiss Teams (2 sessions)	10:00 am & 2:30 PM

## Saturday, November 5

**FREE LUNCH SERVED ON SATURDAY!**

Stratified Open and 299er Pairs (Single Sessions)	10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Sessions, No player over 3000 MPs)	10:00 am & 2:30 pm
AXY Stratified Swiss Teams (2 sessions)	10:00 am & 2:30 PM

**PROOF OF COVID VACCINE IS REQUIRED.**

### Stratifications:

**Open Pairs: A: 3000+, B: 750-2999, C: 0-749 (By average masterpoints)**  
**299er Events: A: 300-200, B: 199-100, C:99-0 (By average masterpoints)**

**Entry Fees:** ACBL members \$13 per session; Non-members \$16

**Tournament Chairpersons:** Jim and Cheryl Rider [jimerider@gmail.com](mailto:jimerider@gmail.com)

**Partnerships:** Debor Cassen (email: [PartnershipU176@gmail.com](mailto:PartnershipU176@gmail.com))

**Tournament Director in Charge:** Melody Euler

**Hotel Info:** Embassy Suites, Love Field, 3880 W. Northwest Hwy, Dallas, TX 75220; Phone: 214-358-6904; Rate: \$119. Reserve by October 20.





# DISTRICT 16 ROYAL STAC

PLAY IN THE SECOND DISTRICT 16 ROYAL STAC FOR 2022  
**A SPECIAL EVENT JUST FOR FACE-TO-FACE CLUBS!**

**NOV. 14-20, 2022**

**ROYAL STAC AWARDS**  
**25% GOLD 25% RED 25% SILVER 25% BLACK**

The Royal STaC operates like a normal STaC, but you now have the opportunity for multi-color point awards. Results from all clubs participating in the district will be combined for higher overall awards.

**STRATS:** Strats for the Royal STaC in all open or invitational games are OPEN/2500/750 by average of both players or whole team. Hand Records are required. You **MUST** download the hands provided on the ACBL website – Common game hands may not be used. . Any game that does not use the ROYAL STaC hand records will not be combined for higher overall awards

**DIRECTORS:** Non, playing directors are encouraged for all ROYAL STaC games. A non, playing director is **REQUIRED** at any club not using electronic scoring when more than 18 tables are participating and at any club using electronic scoring when more than 24 tables are participating.

**ACBL LIVE:** Upload to LIVE for **CLUBS is REQUIRED** for **ALL** games Playing Directors may win session awards only; they are not eligible for overall awards.

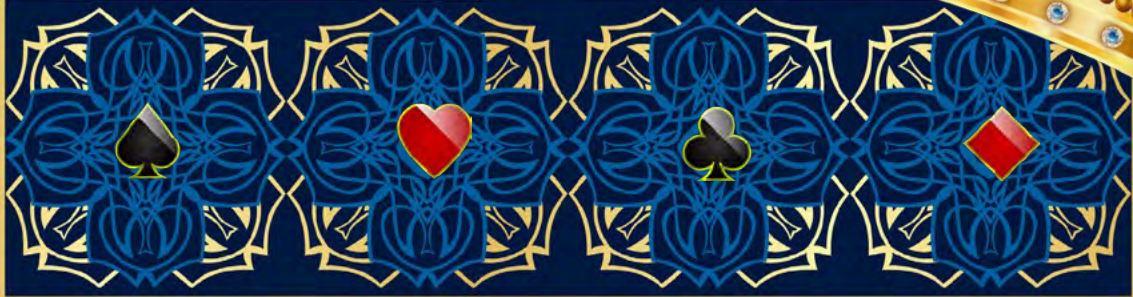
**FACE-TO-FACE REQUIRED:** ALL face-to-face sessions at clubs in District 16 are eligible to be part of the Royal STaC. Check with your local club director to ensure that they are participating and what games they plan to run.

**Director-in-Charge: Scott Humphrey, D16**

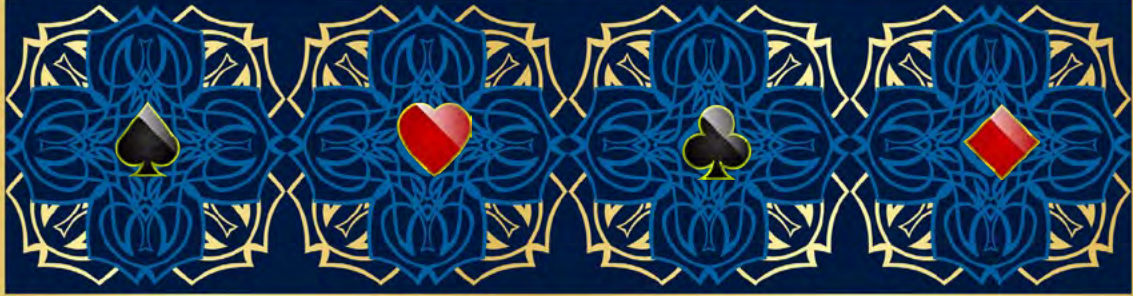
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**ROYAL STAC**  
**IS COMING!**  
**NOVEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> - 20<sup>TH</sup>**





# THE MOST BEAUTIFUL GAME IN THE WORLD

By Patricia Herrera



As we all know, bridge is the most beautiful game in the world.

Now that we know how to play bridge, we want to improve and get better. What does it take to become better at bridge? How do we keep learning?

Like any other sport, we need patience and discipline to be able to improve. Beyond that, there are a few things you may want to consider:

- **PLAYING AND/OR LEARNING:** Understand that you can't play and learn all the time. You must decide whether you are playing to compete, when to have fun (and compete) and when you are playing to learn
- **CONVENTIONS = BETTER BRIDGE?** No. Knowing more conventions doesn't equal better bridge
- **PLAY TO LEARN?** Learning goes beyond just playing
- **TOURNAMENT PLAY VS LEARNING PLAY:** If you are playing in a tournament, learning can't be your main goal. You can choose to go over certain hands after the competition is over but not in between matches and NEVER while playing. The goal is to win, and while doing that you may discover certain things that you need to learn more about after the tournament is over
- **LEARNING AND PLAYING FOR FUN:** If you are playing for fun, there are many interesting learning opportunities. Some people, when they are in a relaxed setting with no pressure, tend to understand and assimilate certain concepts better
- **TRYING NEW STUFF:** Online or at your local club are the places to try new agreements or conventions with your partner. But be aware that you may get a shameful score. Be OK with it. Remember that you are playing to learn
- **READING TO LEARN:** If you are an ACBL member, you will get the monthly Bulletin and by large and far it will your best reading source. There are articles aimed at beginner, intermediate and advanced players. You can read it on paper or online. *A no-brainer!*
- **MORE READING TO LEARN:** Read even more. Books are essential if you want to get better. The trick here is to choose wisely. Ask your most experienced bridge friends and most likely they will be able to recommend you something GOOD. I personally love Mike Lawrence's *How to Read Your Opponent's Cards*
- **INTERNET RESOURCES:** Go online. This is a great strategy for when you want to learn something about a specific convention or ruling, for example. Remember to look not only for articles but also videos
- **FOCUS AND CONCENTRATION:** Work on improving focus and concentration. These skills can be advanced in many ways that go beyond playing bridge. Same goes for your memory skills





- **D16 ONLINE LECTURE SERIES:** Last but not least, attend the online lecture series provided by our district three times a month. You can check the schedule on the district's website:  
[https://d16acbl.org/D16\\_Zoom\\_Lessons.php](https://d16acbl.org/D16_Zoom_Lessons.php)

**Have fun and remember that (not only) practice makes the master!**

*Remember that we are all learning together.*

*Please join us and encourage others to come and practice in a fun environment with other newcomers (0–50 points) every Monday from 4:00 to 5:40 pm CET on BBO.*

*Email Kim Brinkman at [beginner20bridge@gmail.com](mailto:beginner20bridge@gmail.com)*

*She will follow up and give you instructions on how to find the game.*

**Patricia Herrera**  
Education Coordinator



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## TOURNAMENTS SPECIFICALLY FOR **NON-LIFE-MASTERS**

***Houston (Unit 174), Denton (Unit 193)  
& Austin (Unit 207)***

*Flyers follow on pages 84-86*

***Houston: October 6 - 9 in Spring, Texas***

***Denton: October 14 - 16 in Denton, Texas***

***Austin: November 5-6 in Austin, Texas***

***What a great way to compete against players who are moving up the ranks, just like you.***

**PLAN ON PLAYING IN ALL OF THEM!**





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

## 499er/NLM Tournament

**Oct 6- Oct 9, 2022**

4688 Louetta Rd., Spring TX (next to Tuesday Morning)  
281-651-6550 | thebridgeclub@sbcglobal.net

### Partnership

Need a partner? Contact **Janice Hardcastle** at 832-643-1704 or [janice\\_hardcastle@hotmail.com](mailto:janice_hardcastle@hotmail.com).

### Stratification

**A** = 500   **B** = 300   **C** = 100

*Strats may vary at the director's discretion*

### Lunch / Snacks

Free snacks and drinks available all days. Lunch available for \$5 on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, if ordered by 10am.

### Entry Fees

**ACBL Member (current)**

\$10 per session per player

**Lapsed ACBL Member**

\$14 per session per player

### Tournament Chairs

**Debbie Nash & Joanna Heebner**  
[debbienash45@gmail.com](mailto:debbienash45@gmail.com)

Pre-registration highly recommended on our website ([www.bridgewebs.com/bcoh](http://www.bridgewebs.com/bcoh)) for pairs and swiss teams

A swiss team sign-up sheet will also be available at the tournament

### Event Schedule

#### Thursday, October 6th

♠ 499er Pairs                      10am  
♠ 499er Pairs                      2pm

#### Friday, October 7th

♠ 499er Pairs                      10am  
♠ 499er Pairs                      2pm

#### Saturday, October 8th

♠ 499er Pairs                      10am  
♠ 499er Pairs                      2pm

#### Sunday, October 9th

♠ 499er Swiss Team              1:30pm

### Ask the Expert

On **Sunday, Oct 9th, from 12:30-1:15pm**, expert players will answer questions about your tournament hands. They will also discuss hands which demonstrate an interesting bidding, declarer or defense situation.

*Proof of Covid vaccination required to enter*

*Masks optional*

*Club HVAC system, filters recently updated*



## Denton Fall NLM Sectional

October 14-16, 2022

Denton Bridge Studio

1500 Dallas Dr.

Denton, TX 76205

[dentonbridgestudio.com](http://dentonbridgestudio.com)

[dentonbridgestudio@gmail.com](mailto:dentonbridgestudio@gmail.com)

940-205-7300

Friday, October 14, 2022 Cost \$10/Person/Session

10AM Stratified pairs

3PM Stratified pairs

Saturday, October 15, 2022 Cost \$10/Person/Session

10AM Stratified Pairs

3PM Stratified Pairs

Sunday, October 16, 2022 Cost \$80/Team

10AM Swiss Teams Two sessions, lunch will be provided.

**Proof of Covid vaccinations required. ACBL protocols will be followed.**

Stratifications No individual players over 500 MPs and/or no Life Masters.

Flight A 300-500

Flight B 100-300

Flight C 0-100

Tournament co-chairs	Ken Javor	<a href="mailto:kdjavor@yahoo.com">kdjavor@yahoo.com</a>
	Donna Gibbs	<a href="mailto:donna.gibbs43@gmail.com">donna.gibbs43@gmail.com</a>
Tournament director	Mary Lou Collins	<a href="mailto:northstarsbridge@gmail.com">northstarsbridge@gmail.com</a>
Partnership chairperson	Virginia Boudreau	<a href="mailto:texasgrannyb@gmail.com">texasgrannyb@gmail.com</a>

Texas Capital Bridge, Unit 207

*Austin* ♠♥♣♦♠♥♣♦♠♥♣♦♠♥♣♦

**NON-LIFE-MASTER 0-750**

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**November 5-6, 2022**

**Bridge Center of Austin**

6700 Middle Fiskville Road ♥ (512) 300-2743 ♥ [bridgecenteraustin.com](http://bridgecenteraustin.com)

**Saturday, November 5th, 10:00 & 2:15**

**Single-Session Stratified Pairs**

Play in One or Both Sessions

**Sunday, November 6th, 1:30**

**Stratified Pairs**

**Entry Fee: \$10 per session**

(\$14 for unpaid ACBL members)

**Free  
Coffee**

♠ **Strat A: 200 - 750**

♥ **Strat B: 50 - 200**

♣ **Strat C: 0 - 50**

**Note:** *Players may not be life masters and must have fewer than 750 Masterpoints.*

*Strats may be adjusted at director discretion.*

**COVID PRECAUTIONS**

Please Note: Due to changing ACBL rules concerning Covid, be sure to check the Unit Website at [austinbridge.org](http://austinbridge.org) or the BCA Website at [bridgecenteraustin.com](http://bridgecenteraustin.com)

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Linda Griffith 512-492-2128

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**Partnerships:**

Sharon Hoger

[skhoger@att.net](mailto:skhoger@att.net)

**Safety Coordinator:**

Linda Griffith

No food or drink will be allowed at the tables. A break will be provided halfway through the session.

♦ *This is a fragrance-free tournament* ♦