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Seattle Unit 446 Newsletter

April / May 2015

Bridge4Youth Summer Camp Time (Tick Tock!)

by Cheryl Zettler

Dear parents: If you haven't already begun planning fun, challenging activities for your kids or grandkids this summer, now is the time! It's early, but great day camps are already registering, AND THAT INCLUDES OURS! Our camp is conveniently located off I-90 midway between Seattle and the Eastside, on the Mercer Island Congregational Church campus. Our "team" includes two outstanding, ACBL-certified teachers and a core of enthusiastic, fun coaches, who want to share their love of bridge with the next generation. Each day includes well-structured short lessons in Standard American Bridge, followed by prepared hands to play, plus ample breaks for lunch, socializing, sharing other games, and having fun in the adjacent playground. For more details, or to download a Registration Packet, check out our website at <http://www.b4youth.org>.

SEATTLE BRIDGE DAY CAMP

Level One (Beginners): July 6-10

∞ ...OR... ∞

Level Two (Beyond Beginners): July 13-17
PLUS Celebration Day for all campers, July 18

Fee: \$50 per level, includes all materials

New Unit Competition — Trifecta Dates Set!

by Kim Eng

The Seattle Unit Board is excited to announce a new annual competition called the TRIFECTA! We are going to run three special games each year, and the winner of the most total masterpoints in these three events will be crowned the overall winner. This year the events are going to be Barometer Pairs, Fast Pairs, and Mixed Pairs.

Barometer Pairs: Sunday, June 7, 6:00 pm, at Eastside Bridge Center**

In a Barometer game, all pairs play the same boards at the same time throughout the event. As a result, all scores for a given set of boards are available as soon as the round is over so each pair knows where they stand at all times. Any given pair's fortunes may rise and fall like a barometer as the game goes on — hence the name!

Barometer games require a large amount of boards to be duplicated in advance. Because of this, **advance registration is required. If you want to play in the Barometer game, please e-mail me at keng@forestridge.org. **Signup deadline is June 5.**

Fast Pairs: Sunday, September 13, 6:00 pm, at Alki Bridge Club

In Fast Pairs, the speed of play is increased to 5 minutes per board (instead of the usual 7-8 minutes per board).

Mixed Pairs: Sunday, November 15, 6:00 pm, at Seattle Bridge Center

All pairs must consist of one man and one woman.

Last chance to sign up for the 2015 Round Robin!

Register your team (4-6 players) with Kim Eng at keng@forestridge.org or (425) 765-2417 by March 31. For more information on this friendly, social team competition, see <http://www.bridgeinseattle.org/round-robin/>

CLUB NEWS

University of Washington Bridge Club

Christ Episcopal Church
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Come join us Sundays at 6:00 for our weekly game at the Christ Episcopal Church on 47th and Brooklyn in the U-District. We're a friendly bunch, a mix of folks returning to the game, students learning the game, and seasoned veterans.

The UW team continues its march to the national Collegiate Championships with a win over Stanford and a loss to Brandeis. Team captain Lee Holstein reports that if we do well in our matches against the University of Chicago and the University of Illinois, we'll be on our way to the Summer Nationals. Come help get the team ready by playing in our Sunday games. If you don't have a partner, e-mail me and I'll match you up.



Congratulations to newlyweds Joel Fuhrman and Jennifer Ballantyne!

—Ann Romeo



Mercercrest Bridge Club (MCBC)

Mercer Island Congregational Church
4545 Island Crest Way, Mercer Island
<http://www.bridgeinseattle.org/mercercrest/>
mercerislandbridge@gmail.com

New at Mercercrest — we are now a part of the Common Game! This means we play the same hands as many other clubs across the country. At the end of the evening you can see how you scored, not only in our club, but across the USA. There is also expert commentary available for some of the hands. Check it out at <http://thecommongame.com/NiteIndex.html>.

We meet once a week on Tuesday nights, and we pride ourselves on our hospitality and our friendliness. All games are stratified, so if you're a new player it's a great way to get some experience against some of the tougher local pairs and you can still win masterpoints in your flight.

Every week the hands are pre-made, hand records are available, and full results including the contracts on all the hands are available online a few minutes after the end of the game. See our webpage for details.

Upcoming special games are April 7 (Charity Game), April 21 (Club Championship), and May 5 and 26 (Grassroots Fund Games).

January masterpoint leaders were Dave Setterholm (4.23), Jingsong Liu and Cornel Galer (3.35), Mike Ring (3.23), and Kim Eng (3.20). February winners were Shawn Abernethy (4.36), Mike Christensen (3.27), Dell Berg and David Hankins (2.97), and Nick Tipton and Galen Hesson (2.96). Congratulations to all our winners!

—Jeff Ford



Des Moines Bridge Club (DMBC)

Des Moines Senior Center
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yesk@comcast.net

Check out our website to see the great group that we have coming to our club on Friday mornings. If you need a partner please call or e-mail Yvonne. April 24 will be a Charity Game (extra points!). May 29 will be a Grass-

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roots Fund Game (extra points!). We are closed May 22 for the sectional at Kent Commons. I hope everyone that comes to the club has fun and does their very best.

—Yvonne Kirkland



Mercer Island Bridge Club (MIBC)

VFW Hall (Post #5760)

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We are pleased to announce that Mercer Island Bridge Club has found a new home. We can be found at the VFW Hall on Mercer Island. We have two weekly games, Monday at 7:00 pm and Tuesday at 11:00 am.

Both games are stratified and open. All information is available on our website. We are due north of the previous site in a convenient location on the north side of I-90. On Monday evening we serve heavy appetizers and on Tuesday we serve lunch.

In March we celebrated Life Master status with both Christine McKenna and Elizabeth Saul. On April 6 Karen Hudesman wears the crown. All games in April will benefit the ACBL

Charity Foundation and award extra masterpoints. At MIBC there is no extra charge for special games.

Remember singles are always welcome and will be accommodated. Players new to duplicate are encouraged to attend our very friendly atmosphere.

—Barbara Nist

Alki Bridge Club (ABC)

West Seattle Senior Center

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<http://www.alkibridgeclub.com/>

We've got two solid games each week, Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:30 am with a break at 12:00 for lunch. We average 18+ tables on Mondays and 16+ tables on Wednesdays! Alki features all the modern conveniences and we have an excellent facility at the West Seattle Senior Center. Get there early to ensure seating! Cost is \$8, plus \$1 extra for some special games (first Monday and Wednesday of each month). Check our website for schedule of games and results as well as a virtual Partnership Desk.

Possible Friday night monthly Swiss games coming soon! Keep an eye on our website for more information.

Masterpoint leaders for 2015 are Macki Ogino (15.71), Ron Tracy (15.46), Greg Ho (15.26), Ken Fox (12.25), and Edith DeShaw (11.72).

April 1 and 6 are Club Championship games (no extra charge). May 4 and 6 are West Coast STaC games (\$9).

We are closed May 25 (Memorial Day) for the Knockout Sectional.

Contact Nick for more information or partnerships.

—Nick Tipton



Bridge players gathered at the Eastside Bridge Center for a memorial celebration for Barrie Wall on January 25. Photo by Shawn Abernethy.

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Seattle Bridge Center (SBC)

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Mark is teaching a new series of beginning bridge lessons on Tuesday mornings, from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm, starting on April 7. For more information please call or e-mail the club.

NEW DROP-IN BRIDGE! Beginning in April, we're opening the doors for "Drop-in Bridge" on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. "Drop-in Bridge" is an open time for free informal discussion of bridge topics, offering something for players of all levels, from rank beginner to seasoned expert. Drop in for a brief introduction to the game, to learn about upcoming lesson series, to play a few hands socially, to meet with a new partner and discuss your agreements, to learn about club games and upcoming tournaments, or to share your knowledge of and excitement for the game! Contact SBC, or David Dailey at (206) 200-2086, for more information.


THE ACBL-WIDE CHARITY GAME is Tuesday, April 2 at 10:30 am.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES every session April 13 through April 19.

WEST COAST STaC GAMES (SILVER POINTS)

will be every session Monday, May 4 through Sunday, May 10, cap access.

A SPECIAL UNIT SANCTIONED GAME will be held Sunday, May 17 at 1:00 pm.



Bridge and Veterans

The Commander of the Mercer Island VFW Hall (Post #5760), where the Mercer Island Bridge Club is now located, would like to know how many bridge players have served in our military. We would also be interested in knowing if you volunteer at the Vets Hospital or other military-related activity. If you have served in the military, would you please send your name and affiliation to bnist2@gmail.com. Thank you.

I believe we will all be pleased with the number of military personnel we have in our bridge community.

—Barbara Nist

SBC will be closed for the Knockout Sectional May 22 through May 25.



Lorraine Leach passed away on January 18 at the age of 102. Photo by Suzanne Sax, from Lorraine's 100th birthday party at Seattle Bridge Center.

Friday evening is our only night game and we are working to keep it going. We need your attendance to make that happen. Please e-mail or call us if you are available to play and/or need a partner.

Nick Tipton continues to teach classes on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 9:30 for beginners, and Saturday mornings from 9:00 to 11:30 for more advanced players.

We offer half-priced games for those attending on Wednesday mornings and Sunday afternoons. We have plenty of parking available with handi-

January masterpoint leaders were Rose Bolson, Terry

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Chinn, Tom Kuehne, and Mary Jo Boarman. February leaders were Corrine Joinette, Gordy Sawyer, Sue Chen, and Macki Ogino.

—Patti McCallum



Eastside Bridge Center (ESBC)

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Spring is a big time at Eastside Bridge Center. Our big event will be May 1-3 — an entire weekend of bridge games to honor the memory of Terry Randles. Terry loved the game of bridge, loved the players, and was our strongest supporter. He will be missed. Please join us for a Friday evening Swiss Team game, and Saturday and Sunday Open Pairs games. Reservations are required, please make yours early as we expect these games to be very popular. We are pleased that Janice will be coming up to Seattle to join us for all three games. See our website for specific potluck and game details.

Our regularly scheduled Ladies' Night will be combined for April and May and will be on May 8. We are planning a Cinco De Mayo celebration. Plan to bring your favorite south of the border dish and have a little fun playing bridge.

Our classes to continue to be very popular, and we have some special classes we are offering in April, May and June — a unique Conventions Class. You can take the entire class, or simply take one or two classes for a convention that you and your partner wish to add to your bridge tool box. Please e-mail us if you have an interest in a class, and check out our website for all the classes being offered.

Eastside wants to be your Bridge Club — we welcome any ideas or suggestions for a better game or club. Please let us know your thoughts.

—Paulette Hauck



Lisa Brock's Peanut Butter & Jelly Bars

[You may have enjoyed these delicious treats at one of our sectionals — thanks Lisa! Why not bring a batch, or a favorite recipe of your own, to share at our next sectional?]

- 6 tbsp. unsalted butter (softened)
- 6 tbsp. peanut butter
- ½ c. packed brown sugar
- 1 large egg
- 1½ c. flour
- ½ tsp. salt
- ½ c. jelly or jam



Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line an 8- or 9-inch square baking pan with nonstick foil (or use regular foil and spray with non-stick spray).

Beat butter, peanut butter, and brown sugar in bowl with electric mixer until light and fluffy, about 2 min. Add egg and beat until combined. Mix in flour and salt at low speed until a dough forms.

Reserve 1 c. dough for topping. Press remaining dough into bottom of pan, forming an even layer. Spread jelly/jam on top. Coarsely crumble remaining dough over jelly layer. Bake until golden, 30-35 min. Cool completely on wire rack, then cut into bars.

Rainbow Bridge Club (RBC)

<http://www.rainbowbridgeclub.org>

RBC continues to hold games on Saturdays at 6:00 pm at Seattle Bridge Center. We would love to see some new faces, or old ones as the case may be! Every game is open and a Special Game of some kind. April 18 will be a Charity Swiss and May 16 will be a Grassroots Fund Swiss. We will be closed May 23 for the Knockout Sectional. Questions? Running late? Call Nick to reserve your spot in the game at (206) 484-3303.

—Nick Tipton

SWEETHEART SECTIONAL RESULTS

Friday Afternoon Open Pairs

| MPs | A | B | C | Names | Score |
|-------|---|---|---|-------------------------------------|--------|
| 13.52 | 1 | | | Bryan Delfs - Jennifer Chalfan | 64.51% |
| 10.14 | 2 | | | Pat Dunn - Ken Scholes | 62.53% |
| 4.92 | | 1 | | Aaron Mohrman - John Aslin | 59.73% |
| 3.69 | | 2 | | Joan Greening - Susie Hunter | 58.86% |
| 2.18 | | | 1 | Bruce Scharf - Mary Hanson-Spofford | 55.30% |
| 2.25 | | | 2 | Larry Holdren - Myrtis Holdren | 54.20% |

Friday Afternoon 0-200 Pairs

| MPs | A | B | C | Names | Score |
|------|---|---|---|---------------------------------|--------|
| 2.43 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Carl Berkenwald - Allen Sussman | 62.75% |
| 1.82 | | 2 | | Carl Ostertag - James Lapinski | 61.22% |
| 1.52 | | | 2 | Lois Haskell - Jane Mentzer | 60.75% |
| 1.14 | | | 2 | Barbara Horrell - James Horrell | 57.03% |



Cornel Galer, Jen Chalfan, Ray Miller, Dennis Heller

Friday Evening Board-A-Match Teams

| MPs | A | X | Names | Score |
|------|---|-----|--|-------|
| 9.48 | 1 | | Ray Miller - Jennifer Chalfan - Dennis Heller - Corneliu Galer | 19.50 |
| 7.11 | 2 | | Kevin Bolan - Shawn Abernethy - Ron Beall - Brian Zaugg | 17.50 |
| 3.60 | | 1 | Arvind Ranasaria - Peiyush Jain - Bryan Delfs - Lawrence Diamond | 14.50 |
| 2.08 | | 2/4 | Linda Yount - Marjorie Blunt - Sharon Gaunt - Franklin Tiangsing | 13.50 |
| 2.08 | | 2/4 | Aaron Mohrman - John Aslin - John Krah - Daniel Poore | 13.50 |
| 2.08 | | 2/4 | Tami Gillman - Bill Fleming - Mary Hanson-Spofford - Bruce Scharf | 13.50 |

Friday Evening 0-2000 Pairs

| MPs | B | C | D | Names | Score |
|------|---|---|---|--------------------------------|--------|
| 3.43 | 1 | | | John Weinberg - Sarah Weinberg | 60.42% |
| 2.77 | | 2 | 1 | Alan Hendrickson - Kent Harold | 58.81% |
| 2.08 | | | 2 | Jim Burbidge - Anne Lever | 58.49% |
| 1.56 | | | 3 | Victor Magruder - Paul Evanoff | 57.37% |

Friday Evening 0-200 Pairs

| MPs | A | B | C | Names | Score |
|------|---|---|---|---------------------------------|--------|
| 1.56 | 1 | 1 | | Michael O'Neal - Barbara O'Neal | 69.97% |
| 1.17 | | 2 | 2 | Janet Russell - Maxine Mattson | 56.83% |
| 0.78 | | | 2 | Don Rogers - Janice Weinberg | 51.68% |

Saturday Afternoon 0-200 Pairs

| MPs | A | B | C | Names | Score |
|------|---|---|---|-------------------------------------|--------|
| 2.98 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Carl Berkenwald - Allen Sussman | 66.10% |
| 2.24 | | 2 | 2 | Ronald McMullen - Margaret McMullen | 63.26% |



Brian Zaugg, Aaron Mohrman

Saturday Open Pairs

| MPs | A | X | Names | Score | |
|-------|---|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------|
| 28.00 | 1 | 1 | Brian Zaugg - Aaron Mohrman | 59.26% | |
| 21.00 | | 2 | David Baer - Rose Bolson | 58.39% | |
| 9.33 | | | 2 | John Swanson - Reidun Decker | 56.23% |

Saturday 0-2000 Pairs

| MPs | B | C | D | Names | Score | |
|------|---|---|---|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--------|
| 8.53 | 1 | 1 | | Penny Shui - Peter Shui | 60.64% | |
| 6.40 | | 2 | 2 | 1 | Donald Stark - Karen Hudesman | 60.22% |
| 3.29 | | | | 2 | Larry Li - Lynn Shapley | 55.92% |



Tom Brown, Zag Kadah, Karen Hudesman (new Life Master!), Don Stark

Sunday 0-2000 Swiss Teams

| MPs | Rank | Names | Score |
|------|------|---|--------|
| 5.36 | 1 | Karen Hudesman - Donald Stark - Thomas Brown - Zag Kadah | 102.00 |
| 4.02 | 2 | Ann Stephens - Ginger Augustavo - Maxine Ogino - Ken Fox | 97.00 |

Sunday 0-750 Swiss Teams

| MPs | C | D | E | Names | Score | |
|------|---|---|---|--|---|-------|
| 3.03 | 1 | 1 | | Meg Okada - Yoko Reilly - Guilherme De Souza - Felipe Souza | 90.00 | |
| 2.27 | | | 2 | Lindsey Smith - Leslie Milstein - Tony Joyce - Gilda Joyce | 86.00 | |
| 1.64 | | | 2 | 1 | Carroll Vaughan - Russell Vaughan - Victor Magruder - Paul Evanoff | 68.00 |

Sunday 0-200 Swiss

| MPs | Rank | Names | Score |
|------|------|---|-------|
| 1.01 | 1 | Jeanne Johnson - Barbara O'Neal - Michael O'Neal - Tony Marshall | 60.00 |

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Dave Setterholm, Ken Scholes, Sandra Scholes, Harry Steiner

Sunday A/X Swiss Teams

| MPs | A | X | Names | Score |
|-------|---|---|--|--------|
| 15.13 | 1 | | Ken Scholes - Sandra Scholes - Dave Setterholm - Harry Steiner | 108.00 |
| 11.35 | 2 | | Ray Miller - Jennifer Chalfan - William O'Brien - Kevin Bolan | 103.00 |
| 8.51 | 1 | | Aaron Mohrman - Liliana Diaconescu - Brian Zaugg - Valliappa Lakshmanan | 88.00 |
| 6.38 | 2 | | Patrick White - Michael Ring - Michael Christensen - Becky Stevens | 85.00 |



Aaron Mohrman, Lak Lakshmanan, Liliana Diaconescu, Brian Zaugg

Hospitality Corner

Ann Romeo

Many thanks to Kayel White, Dee Patrick, and Lisa Brock for their contributions to hospitality for the NLM Sectional in March. It was a great tournament and you helped make it even better!

We have our longest event of the year, the four-day Knockout Sectional, coming up over Memorial Day weekend, and I'm giving yet another shout out for treats. Anything you can bring (cake, cookies, veggies, cheese, snacks, store-bought or home-made) will be much appreciated.

We will NOT be serving lunch during the Monday team events — there is a plethora of restaurant options in and around Kent Commons we think you will enjoy. See you at the tables!

NLM (0-500) Sectional Results

Saturday NLM Pairs

| MPs | A | B | C | Names | Score |
|------|---|---|---|-----------------------------------|--------|
| 3.61 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Marilyn Ebner - John Cunningham | 448.25 |
| 2.71 | 2 | 2 | | Paul Evanoff - Leigh Castoldi | 420.88 |
| 2.03 | | | 2 | Stephanie Williams - Ron Williams | 414.21 |

Saturday Morning 0-100 Pairs

| MPs | D | E | F | Names | Score |
|------|---|---|---|---------------------------|--------|
| 2.11 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Monty Futch - Bob Jackson | 66.10% |
| 1.58 | 2 | 2 | 2 | Bruce White - Larry White | 65.15% |



Jim Burbidge, Franklin Tiangsing, Ed Howard, Alex Kamola

Sunday NLM Swiss Teams

| MPs | A | B | C | Names | Score |
|------|---|---|---|--|--------|
| 3.44 | 1 | 1 | | Jim Burbidge - Franklin Tiangsing - Ed Howard - Alex Kamola | 108.00 |
| 2.58 | 2 | 2 | | Gary Gelow - Yoko Reilly - Guilherme De Souza - Felipe Souza | 102.00 |
| 1.54 | | | 1 | Gene Gousie - Ronald McMullen - Mary Blanchett - Peter Starcevich | 66.00 |

Sunday Morning 0-200 Pairs

| MPs | D | E | F | Names | Score |
|------|---|---|---|-----------------------------------|--------|
| 1.85 | 1 | 1 | | Stephanie Williams - Ron Williams | 66.03% |
| 1.39 | | 2 | | Edna Watters - Charles Watters | 62.54% |
| 1.28 | | 2 | 1 | Patti Hulvershorn - Tony Alberts | 58.66% |
| 0.96 | | | 2 | Kent Koprowicz - Colin Hooks | 56.05% |

Photos by Jeff Ford, Aaron Mohrman, and David Taylor

Declarer Play Problem

by Peiyush Jain

Dummy: ♠J93 ♥109876 ♦KQJ ♣42

Declarer: ♠AK10 ♥2 ♦2 ♣AKQJ10976

You declare 6C after RHO has opened 3H in first seat. LHO leads a small spade and RHO follows small. **Plan the play.**

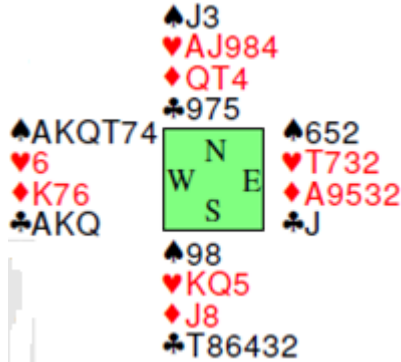
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Wish I'd Thought of That...

by Monty Gray

The following hand is from a March game at Alki Bridge Club:

My partner and I reached 6S on an optimistic auction, beginning with a 2C opening by West and a 2H overcall by North.



North led the ♠J, and when dummy appeared it seemed that a heart and a diamond must be lost unless a squeeze could be found in the red suits.

Sitting West, I took the opening lead in hand and returned a heart. South overtook North's ♥J with the ♥Q and played a club. I took the ♣A and ran all my trumps and clubs. Knowing I was out of hearts, it seemed safe for South to discard his ♥K5, but now this position was reached at trick ten:



The lead of the ♠10 squeezed North. North had to discard a diamond, and the ♦A, ♦K, and ♦7 took the last three tricks, to make the contract (beer card!).

Much later, I realized that after South's club lead at trick three, I could have reached the same position by force on a spectacular line of play: Take the ♣A, ruff the ♣K! Ruff a heart, ruff the ♣Q! Ruff another heart (removing South's last heart), and run the trumps.

Ruffing the top clubs provides the entries needed to ruff out South's heart guards and make the slam legitimately as the cards lie (after trick three). I'm glad to have made it at all; but I wish I'd found this line at the table!

2015 Trophy Race Standings

Microsoft Trophy

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|-----|------------------|-------|
| 1. | Brian Zaugg | 39.78 |
| 2. | Jennifer Chalfan | 38.75 |
| 3. | Aaron Mohrman | 37.51 |
| 4. | Dave Setterholm | 32.46 |
| 5. | Ken Scholes | 27.47 |
| 6. | Ray Miller | 27.39 |
| 7. | Pat Dunn | 24.12 |
| 8. | Sandy Scholes | 20.54 |
| 9. | Rose Bolson | 17.40 |
| 10. | Dave Baer | 16.50 |

Jabon Trophy

[for players starting the year with fewer than 20 masterpoints]

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|----|-------------------|------|
| 1. | Peter Starcevich | 3.08 |
| 2. | Patti Hulvershorn | 2.84 |
| 3. | Colin Hooks | 2.42 |
| 4. | Kay Webster | 2.38 |
| 5. | Kent Koprowicz | 1.92 |

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Solution to Declarer Play Problem

Here you are in a slam off two aces, and with a potential spade loser. However, it looks like LHO has a heart void and, you must assume, the ♦A, in which case the opponents will not be able to cash their heart trick directly. Can you take advantage of this?

It seems like you got a free finesse at trick one, but if you win the ♠10 in hand, you will not make it! If you draw trumps and play a diamond, LHO can take the ♦A on the first round and exit safely with a spade. You

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Greetings! The Seattle Bridge Unit (SBU) would like to extend a hearty welcome to all new members and to all members who recently transferred into our unit! All new members will receive one free play at each of the local clubs. Be sure to check your e-mail!

New Members: Ken Chaney, Kwun Chung, Debbie Covey, Alison Dillow, Patrick Finney, Martin Goldstein, Kathleen Hall, Patty Heyum, Laura Johnson, Robert Jones, John Keegan, Bonnie Lee, Robert Marks III, John Murphy, Sulu Nisargand, Sally Onetto, Lowell Sever, Debra Taylor, Susan Waggoner, Susanne Weaver, Greg Jun Ye, Julia Yan Ye

Transfers: Kevin Cline, Barbara Keller, Doris Murdoch, Stephen Seyl, Jonathan Shi

In Memoriam: Rod Caldwell, Carmen Flak, Lorraine Leach, Rutcher "Gene" Sedell, Marv Wolfgang

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS ON THEIR RANK ADVANCEMENTS!

Junior Master (5 MPs): Carolyn Campbell, Jacqueline Hennes, Patti Hulvershorn, Susie Kalhorn, Alice Kaye, Nicole Lipe, Jyoti Samant

Club Master (20 MPs): Marilyn Tink Campbell, Deanna Carpenter, Chien Yuan Chang, Carlyn Liebert Gauen, Ned Lumpkin, Richard Matthews, John Shoosmith, Margaret Stanley

Sectional Master (50 MPs): Michele Herman, Annick Impert, Helen Pyne, Bunny Renouard, Margo Shute, Stephen Urban

Regional Master (100 MPs): Tony Chen, Norm Strong

NABC Master (200 MPs): Judith Boardman, Peiyush Jain, Dianne Polson

Advanced NABC Master (300 MPs): Yoko Reilly

Life Master (300/500 MPs): Elaine Lieberman, Christine McKenna, Elizabeth Saul, Gordon Sawyer, Xiang Tu

Silver Life Master (1000 MPs): Allen Kleinsasser

Diamond Life Master (5000 MPs): Mary McCune

Total Members: 1,396 as of March 1, 2015

If you'd like to get involved with helping the growth of bridge in our area and showing people how fun and amazing this game is, please don't hesitate to contact a board member. SBU is run totally by volunteers who want to keep bridge in Seattle great. We would love your help!

—Michael Ring

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must lose a diamond and a heart.

You need to throw your heart on the diamonds, and the only way to do that is to make sure LHO helps you by putting you in the dummy. This can be done if LHO has the ♠Q, as is likely from the auction and play at trick one.

You win the ♠A at trick one, draw trumps, and play a diamond. If LHO, who is now left with only spades and

diamonds, wins the first diamond, he must either lead a spade, allowing you to gain access to dummy with the ♠J, or a diamond to dummy's winners. LHO may duck the first round of diamonds, but you simply play another round (throwing a *heart* from your hand, not a spade), again allowing you to dispose of your losers one way or another.

[From Peiyush's blog at <http://ruffnsluff.blogspot.com>]

IN MEMORIAM

Rod Caldwell (1949-2015)

by Stan Christie

We lost Rod to cancer on February 24, 2015. After struggling with radiation treatment and chemotherapy for over two years, Rod lost his battle while preparing to participate in a new cancer treatment program. He was home with his wife Eletta (Letty) and four children, Chris, Matt, Erin, and Sara.

Rod was born in 1949 to Wallace and Marjorie Caldwell in Corvallis, Oregon, joining older brother Charlie. Rod's dad was a teacher, so the family moved with each teaching assignment, eventually landing in the Columbia Basin near Pasco, WA. Rod graduated from Pasco High School in the class of 1967. He attended WSU and Eastern Washington State University where he majored in Math and met Letty. They were married in 1974 during their senior year and continued living in Cheney, WA.

After college graduation Rod started his professional life as a Computer Systems Analyst, moving to Ketchikan, Alaska in 1984. They later relocated first to Spokane and then to the North Bend area, where both Rod and Letty worked at the Nintendo of America North Bend campus. Rod retired from Nintendo in August, 2012.

I met Rod at the bridge table one day in the early 1990s when he and Arne Maki came to our table in the penultimate round of a local tournament. He preempted in clubs ahead of me in third seat and I bid 3NT, ending the auction. After ducking the opening lead and again for posterity, I won the third trick and confidently drove out the missing ace. Naturally, Arne won...and produced a fourth club, leading to down two in a seemingly sound contract. We all got a good chuckle out of that. Rod and Arne won the event despite a so-so first session.



Many of Rod's victories were like that — always saving the big game for the final. It never mattered how well or poorly you had done to reach that point, it only mattered that if there was a chance to win, you automatically tried to do just that. Crunch time.

We didn't start playing regularly until a few years later, but we developed a strong partnership over the years that led to many regional wins and several trips to the nationals. Rod's tenacity and determination were legendary, but he enjoyed laughter just as much. We always had a good time, regardless of the situation.

Away from the bridge table, Rod and Letty split quarter-season Mariners tickets with me and my wife Sandi after that unforgettable 1995 season. Rod was an avid baseball fan, and his statistical knowledge of the sport was truly encyclopedic. We saw many great and terrible baseball games together, and spent lots of time at the Keg afterwards in either case.

But by far the most important sport in his life was golf. If he had to choose between a bridge game and a golf game, it would be no contest. Rod loved being on the golf course, and that was that. He brought his clubs to a Las Vegas national one year, and when we missed the cut for the second day of a two-day event, he opted to play golf...in the 105 degree summer sun!

Rod was a close friend and a joy to be around, and I will strive to keep him in the present. Rest in peace, my good friend.

A memorial service for Rod will be held on April 10. For more information, visit <http://www.flintofts.com> or the Rod Caldwell Memorial page on Facebook.

2014 MASTERPOINT RACES

Mini-McKenney

[total masterpoints won]

0 to 5 Masterpoints

| Rank | | Points |
|------|--------------------|--------|
| 1 | Tony Alberts | 33.85 |
| 2 | Guilherme De Souza | 29.00 |
| | Felipe Souza | 29.00 |

5 to 20 Masterpoints

| | | |
|---|------------------|-------|
| 1 | Lilia Sharp | 44.81 |
| 2 | Sharon Riddle | 44.74 |
| 3 | Patricia Johnson | 22.48 |

20 to 50 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|--------------------|--------|
| 1(1) | Franklin Tiangsing | 105.34 |
| 2 | Carroll Vaughan | 82.28 |
| 3 | Marilyn Dierickx | 69.21 |

50 to 100 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|-----------------|--------|
| 1(1) | Paul Evanoff | 188.29 |
| 2 | Russell Vaughan | 95.65 |
| 3 | Susan Servais | 82.10 |

100 to 200 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|----------------|--------|
| 1(1) | John Krah | 251.67 |
| 2(2) | Daniel Poore | 224.56 |
| 3 | Martha Jenkins | 112.53 |

John finished 7th in the ACBL-wide race in this category. Congratulations!

200 to 300 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|--------------------|--------|
| 1(1) | Karen Hudesman | 179.82 |
| 2(2) | Thomas Brown | 157.69 |
| 3(3) | Lorenzo Migliorini | 148.22 |

300 to 500 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|--------------|--------|
| 1(1) | Diane Felure | 242.30 |
| 2(3) | Monty Gray | 152.14 |
| 3 | Bill Stewart | 133.21 |

500 to 1000 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|----------------------|--------|
| 1(1) | Renae Gunstone-White | 270.08 |
| 2(2) | Tim White | 264.03 |
| 3 | William Campbell | 201.31 |

1000 to 2500 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|---------------------|--------|
| 1(2) | Michael Christensen | 571.56 |
| 2(3) | Michael Ring | 438.83 |
| 3 | Cristal Nell | 354.85 |

2500 to 5000 Masterpoints

| Rank | | Points |
|------|------------------|--------|
| 1 | Jeff Ford | 345.88 |
| 2 | Paul Schwaighart | 339.91 |
| 3 | Mary McCune | 313.95 |

5000 to 7500 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|--------------|--------|
| 1(1) | Barbara Nist | 690.50 |
| 2 | Dave Grubbs | 285.69 |
| 3 | Randy Corn | 280.95 |

7500 to 10,000 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|------------------|--------|
| 1(1) | Sun-O Ho | 505.65 |
| 2(3) | Ray Miller | 417.63 |
| 3 | Ken Christiansen | 280.83 |

Over 10,000 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|-----------------|--------|
| 1(3) | Patrick Dunn | 721.67 |
| 2 | Polly Dunn | 715.19 |
| 3 | Dick Yarrington | 522.10 |



Ace of Clubs

[points won in club games]

0 to 5 Masterpoints

| Rank | | Points |
|------|------------------|--------|
| 1 | Tony Alberts | 24.12 |
| 2 | Richard Matthews | 19.03 |
| 3 | John Shoosmith | 17.45 |

5 to 20 Masterpoints

| | | |
|---|---------------|-------|
| 1 | Lilia Sharp | 25.91 |
| 2 | Brian Turner | 19.17 |
| 3 | Sharon Riddle | 17.83 |

20 to 50 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|--------------------|-------|
| 1(1) | Franklin Tiangsing | 83.46 |
| 2 | Marilyn Dierickx | 50.68 |
| 3 | Morton Latta | 32.31 |

50 to 100 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|---------------|-------|
| 1(2) | Paul Evanoff | 88.18 |
| 2 | Sylvia Bailey | 33.47 |
| 3 | Al Lunde | 30.37 |

100 to 200 Masterpoints

| Rank | | Points |
|------|----------------|--------|
| 1 | Carol Anderson | 56.83 |
| 2 | John Krah | 50.44 |
| 3 | Daniel Poore | 40.88 |

200 to 300 Masterpoints

| | | |
|---|----------------|-------|
| 1 | Karen Hudesman | 62.34 |
| 2 | Thomas Brown | 61.78 |
| 3 | Larry Baum | 54.11 |

300 to 500 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|--------------|--------|
| 1(1) | Diane Felure | 126.73 |
| 2 | Bill Stewart | 87.80 |
| 3 | Tony Joyce | 81.30 |

500 to 1000 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|------------------|--------|
| 1(1) | William Campbell | 112.77 |
| 2 | Joyce Williamson | 97.98 |
| 3 | Joe Collier | 76.56 |

1000 to 2500 Masterpoints

| | | |
|---|---------------------|--------|
| 1 | Michael Christensen | 147.14 |
| 2 | James Scavone | 104.26 |
| 3 | Ken Fox | 96.92 |

2500 to 5000 Masterpoints

| | | |
|---|------------------|--------|
| 1 | Yoko Barnett | 149.92 |
| 2 | Paul Schwaighart | 148.85 |
| 3 | Mike Bovarnick | 147.16 |

5000 to 7500 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|-------------------|--------|
| 1(3) | Rose Bolson | 115.03 |
| 2 | Clay Sundermeyer | 55.83 |
| 3 | Stanford Christie | 54.37 |

7500 to 10,000 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|---------------|--------|
| 1(1) | Sun-O Ho | 173.72 |
| 2 | Harry Steiner | 91.03 |
| 3 | Ray Miller | 80.39 |

Over 10,000 Masterpoints

| | | |
|------|------------------|--------|
| 1(2) | Dick Yarrington | 139.44 |
| 2 | Maurice Blustein | 105.68 |
| 3 | Henry Lortz | 37.50 |

Ranks in parentheses indicate top 3 finishes in District 19-wide race.

For top online masterpoint winners, see p. 15.

Congratulations to all high finishers! For complete results, see <http://www.acbl.org/masterpoints-results/>

Director in Charge: Matt Koltnow

Seattle Bridge Unit 446

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Note new evening start times!

Just 30 minutes SE of Seattle!

Knockout Sectional

May 22-25, 2015 – Kent Commons

Friday, May 22nd

1:30 pm 0-200 Pairs (single session)
Stratified Open Pairs (single session)

7:00 pm 0-750 Pairs (single session)
Stratified Open Pairs (single session)

Saturday, May 23rd

1:00 pm 0-200 Pairs (single session)
Stratified Open Pairs (single session)
0-2000 Bracketed KO (round 1 of 3)
Open KO (round 1 of 4)

6:30 pm 0-750 Pairs (single session)
Stratified Open Pairs (single session)
0-2000 Bracketed KO (round 2 of 3)
Open KO (round 2 of 4)
Stratified Swiss Teams (single session)

Sunday, May 24th

1:00 pm 0-750 Pairs (single session)
Stratified Open Pairs (session 1 of 2)
0-2000 Bracketed KO (round 3 of 3)
Open KO (round 3 of 4)

6:30 pm 0-2000 Pairs (single session)
Stratified Open Pairs (session 2 of 2)
Open KO (round 4 of 4)

Monday, May 25th

10:30 am 0-200 Swiss (single session)
0-2000 Swiss (session 1 of 2)
Open Board-A-Match Teams (session 1 of 2)

TBA 0-200 Swiss (single session)
0-2000 Swiss (session 2 of 2)
Open Board-A-Match Teams (session 2 of 2)

There will be a lunch break between sessions on Monday





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From the North (405 to Hwy 167 S):
From 167, take the 84th Ave S / N
Central Ave exit towards
Kent City Center
Turn left onto 84th Ave S; stay straight to
continue on Central Ave N
Turn right onto E James St.
Parking entrance is off James St.

From the South (Hwy 167 N):
Take the WA-516 exit towards
Willis St. / Des Moines
Turn right onto Willis St towards Kent
City Center
Turn left onto 4th Ave S
To park, turn left onto W James St.
Parking entrance is off James St.

Stratification

| | |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 0-200 Pairs/Teams | 0-50, 50-100, 100-200 |
| 0-750 Pairs | 0-200, 200-300, 300-750 |
| 0-2000 Swiss | 0-50, 500-1000, 1000-2000 |
| Open Pairs: | 0-500, 500-2000, 2000+ |
| Open BAM: | 0-3000, 3000+ |

- Stratification is based on the average MPs of the pair/team
- In all limited events, no player can exceed the upper limit
- Midchart conventions permitted in Open KO and Monday BAM
- Knockout events will not be handicapped



MAY 2015

Sun **Mon** **Tue** **Wed** **Thu** **Fri** **Sat**

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ESBC — Terry Randles Memorial Games

3 4 5 6 7 8 9

SBC — STaC Games (all sessions, 5/4-5/10)

ABC STaC Game

MCBC Grassroots Fund Game

ESBC Ladies' Night

10 11 12 13 14 15 16

RBC Grassroots Fund Swiss

17 18 19 20 21 22 23

SBC Unit Game

KNOCKOUT SECTIONAL (Kent Commons)
SBC, RBC, DMBC, ABC Closed

24 25 26 27 28 29 30

SECTIONAL, cont.

DMBC Grassroots Fund Game

MCBC Grassroots Fund Game

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CLUB SCHEDULES AND LOCATIONS

Sunday

1:00 pm Seattle Bridge Center Half price
6:00 pm UW Bridge Club

Monday

10:00 am Eastside Bridge Center Open/0-500
10:30 am Alki Bridge Club
Seattle Bridge Center
7:00 pm Mercer Island Bridge Club
Eastside Bridge Center 0-2000
Seattle Bridge Center Lessons + Play

Tuesday

10:00 am Eastside Bridge Center
Emerald Bridge Club
11:00 am Mercer Island Bridge Club
7:00 pm Mercercrest Bridge Club
Eastside Bridge Center 0-200
Seattle Bridge Center "Drop-In Bridge"

Wednesday

10:00 am Eastside Bridge Center
10:30 am Seattle Bridge Center Half price
Alki Bridge Club
Noon Ronald Methodist Church Senior, 0-2000
7:00 pm Eastside Bridge Center 0-750

Locations:

Emerald Bridge Club
Brooklake Community Center, 726 S 356th St, Federal Way
Dennie Dye, (253) 939-0733

Ronald Methodist Church
17839 Aurora Ave N (entrance on Linden, not Aurora)
Margaret Marshall, (206) 363-5484/(206) 972-1941 (cell)

LeEtta King Bridge Club
Central Area Senior Center, 500 30th Ave S
(206) 226-9732

Vashon Bridge Club
Location varies, call for details
James Dam, (206) 567-5279/eadnjd@comcast.net

See "Club News" starting on p. 2 for other club information.

Thursday

10:00 am Eastside Bridge Center
Emerald Bridge Club
10:30 am Seattle Bridge Center Free Lunch
6:30 pm LeEtta King Bridge Club
7:00 pm Eastside Bridge Center

Friday

10:00 am Eastside Bridge Center Open/0-200
10:30 am Des Moines Bridge Club
Seattle Bridge Center
6:30 pm Vashon Bridge Club (*except first Fridays;
time varies, call first*)
7:30 pm Seattle Bridge Center

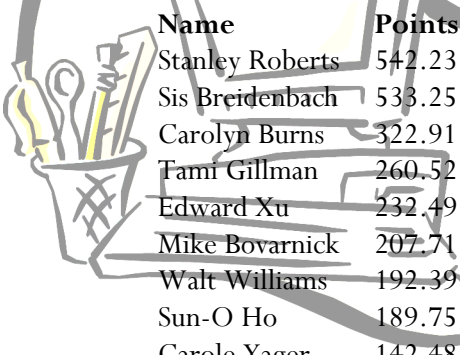
Saturday

9:00 am Seattle Bridge Center Lessons + Play
9:30 am Eastside Bridge Center 0-20 "Fun Bridge"
Noon Seattle Bridge Center
1:00 pm Eastside Bridge Center Open/0-750
6:00 pm Rainbow Bridge Club

All games are open unless otherwise specified.

2014 Online Masterpoint Winners

The ACBL does not include masterpoints won online in the Mini-McKenney or Ace of Clubs masterpoint races (reported on p. 11). Below is a list of the unit's top online masterpoint winners in 2014. Congratulations to all the players!



| Name | Points |
|-----------------|--------|
| Stanley Roberts | 542.23 |
| Sis Breidenbach | 533.25 |
| Carolyn Burns | 322.91 |
| Fami Gillman | 260.52 |
| Edward Xu | 232.49 |
| Mike Bovarnick | 207.71 |
| Walt Williams | 192.39 |
| Sun-O Ho | 189.75 |
| Carole Yager | 142.48 |
| Gil Comeau | 137.54 |

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TOURNAMENT TRAIL

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| | | |
|-------|----------|---|
| April | 11-12 | GNT District Finals, Vancouver, BC Open & Flight B (0-2500) |
| | 13-19 | VICTORIA, BC REGIONAL |
| | 24-26 | Fircrest (Tacoma) Sectional |
| | 25-26 | GNT District Finals, Fircrest Flights A (0-6000) & C (0-500/NLM) |
| | 30-May 3 | Richland Sectional |
| May | 15-18 | Vancouver, BC Sectional |
| | 22-25 | Kent Sectional [see flyer inside] |
| | 29-31 | Portland, OR Sectional |

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A possible event in Seattle with famous bridge expert, author, and teacher Larry Cohen is being planned for early August! For more information, contact Patti McCallum (pattimcbridge@gmail.com) or John Weinberg.

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