

Unit 356



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# Desert Kibitzer



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## August/September Events

August 14th

Unit Game (Las Candelas)

August 22nd-28th

Summer STaC (Local Clubs)

September 2nd-5th

Sectional (El Palo)

September 9th -11th

Sectional (Prescott)

September 18th

Unit Game (Las Candelas)

September 23rd

Unit Wide Championship

September 25th

Board a Match (Adobe)

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## Welcome New Members

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## June Monthly Masterpoint Winners

### Adobe Bridge Club

#### *Master Point Winners Under 1000*

(7.55) Jere Webb; (7.25) Alan Ravitz; (7.25) Evonne Ravitz  
(5.58) Walter Mann; (5.56) Nancy Lord Watts

#### *Master Point Winners Over 1000*

(19.59) Nicolai Minenko; (15.94) Greg West; (15.70) B Robert Simrak  
(14.73) Martin Schiff Jr; (13.93) Michael Levy

### Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club

#### *Top Ten Master Point Winners*

(11.21) Ted Walden; (11.14) Ron Payne; (8.14) Dick Grannis; (7.89) Allen Bowman  
(6.75) Fran Herrmann; (6.12) Ernie Perkins; (6.10) Franz Schatz; (5.75) Greg Roth  
(4.78) Russ Stowers; (4.63) Ray Austin

### Las Candelas Bridge Club

#### *Master Point Winners Under 500*

(7.74) Derk Graybill; (4.84) Vito Konur; (4.65) Bettina Thompson  
(4.65) Lynda Thomas; (4.05) John Piet

#### *Master Point Winners 501-1500*

(10.65) Ann Day; (10.13) Joan Merrill; (9.78) Karen Swanberg  
(9.36) Mary Maxwell; (8.52) Adair Karlin

### Mountain View Bridge Club

#### *Top Master Point Winners Flight A*

(4.62) Michelle Werley; (3.45) Darwin Afdahl; (2.78) Dean Frost  
(2.67) Kay Afdahl; (2.43) Jo Ann Aiken

#### *Top Master Point Winners Flight B*

(3.58) Amiel Goodman; (3.12) Sue Hagerty; (2.92) Dick Quigg  
(2.41) Betty Meyer; (2.41) Robert Murray

### Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club

#### *Top Master Point Winners*

(9.64) Ted Walden; (8.13) Russ Stowers; (5.41) Arni Maki; (4.58) Ted Fones  
(3.74) Joyce Lenz; (3.74) Ernie Perkins; (3.62) Richard Mullins; (3.62) Lorraine Vonk  
(3.61) John Arnold and (3.15) Jim Howland

### Thunder Mountain Bridge Club

(9.10) George Willis; (8.98) Carol Dean; (7.79) Marc Hay; (7.45) Paul Soper  
(6.11) Joyce Davis; (5.88) Larry Scott; (5.55) Diana Smith; (5.55) Margaret Wilder  
(4.95) Gale Peck; (3.60) Mary Blanchard

### Over 70% Games

(78.60) Vern & Dorothy Ebert; (73.58) Arni Maki & Russ Stowers  
(71.75) Jim Chisholm & Albert Gese; (71.00) Rosemarie Holmes & Margaret Linaburg  
(70.27) Barbara Feeley & Doris Whaley; (70.15) Lois Hoppe & Mary Ellen Lesko  
(70.06) Russ Stowers & Bobbe Trunzo; (70.00) Paul Soper & Katy Vaughn

## **Las Candelas** *By Sunny Bal/Eric Swanson*

### Master Point Winners Open

(14.24) Dave Douglas; (10.65) Ann Day; (10.60) Jean Montague  
(10.13) Joan Merrill; (9.78) Karen Swanberg

### 65% Games

(70.27) Barbara Feeley & Doris Whaley; (66.67) Al Peters & Ann Day  
(66.67) Rita Smith & Mary Maxwell; (66.37) Cam Mette & Sarah Bowman  
(66.20) Alfredo Moya & Dick Augur; (66.07) David Rinehart & Randy Mandingo  
(66.03) Karen Swanberg & Joy Rieckers; (65.87) Elizabeth Legget & Kathy Ball

### Announcements

Las Candelas has a new website. Check it out at [www.bridgewebs.com/lascandelas](http://www.bridgewebs.com/lascandelas).

There is a New NLM game at Las Candelas on Fridays 10 to about 1pm. NLMs now have a place to play every day of the week.

Las Candelas has also added a Sunday Game at 1 pm.

## **Saguaro** *By Doris Kuzmak*

High Percentage Games for June: Arni Maki & Russ Stowers had a big 73.58% game for the North American Pairs Qualifying on June 18. Only one other pair over 65% during June. Charlotte Brody 65.73% and Ted Walden 65.73%.

Charlotte Brody and Ted Walden won the heat at Saguaro for the World Wide Bridge Championship Game on June 4, 2011.

Our last NAP Qualifying Game will be August 6, 2011.

## **Green Valley** *By Allen Bowman*

### Top Games

(70.06) Russ Stowers & BobbeTrunzo; (65.90) Dave & Sue Sachs; (65.22) Ron Payne & Warren Fuesz; (65.15) Ron Payne & Ted Walden

### Top Games (49ers)

(78.60) Vern & Dorothy Ebert; (71.75) Jim Chisholm & Albert Gese  
(70.15) Lois Hoppe & Mary Ellen Lesko; (67.36) Dot Elliott & Edith Hawkins  
(67.20) Edith Hawkins & Barbara Vandertie; (66.30) Grace Berlin & Ruth Ford  
(65.60) Hank & Marian Wiseman

### **Mountain View** *By JoAnn Aiken*

Pairs with better than 65% games in June included:  
(67%) Sheila and Jeff Lesser  
(66% - 2 games) Amiel Goodman and Dick Quigg

August 12 - Club Championship  
August 23 and 26 - StAC

### **Thunder Mountain** *By Chris Hasney*

There were three 65% and above games in June, including one huge game of 70%:  
(70.00) Paul Soper & Katy Vaughn  
(67.00) George Willis & Marc Hay  
(65.63) Marc Hay & Jim Handy

Congratulations!

### **Tucson Charity Bridge** *By Ruth Houkom/Brian Gersten*

#### Top Games for June

(69.50) Douglas Austin/Jean Austin, (65.95) Shirley Gardner/Trey Smyth  
(64.42) Shirley Gardner/Trey Smyth, (64.09) Brian Gersten/Sari Gersten  
(62.08) Ruth McCray/Mitzi Smyth, (61.50) Ruth McCray/Mitzi Smyth

As of 6/31, Tucson Charity Bridge has contributed \$2,235 to local charities. Our Charity for June was Hewish Family and Children's Services which was nominated by Seymour Einstein. Please visit our website for details.

### **Adobe** *By Steve Reynolds*

The Adobe had a fantastic 4th of July party. Join us on Sept. 5 for a labor day extravaganza which also happens to be Ed Temple's 100th birthday! Congratulations to Ken Badertsher and Mike Levy our latest free game winners. The Saturday specials are going great, come and join us for lunch and bridge, every game a special for only \$5.

#### Games over 65%

(71.00) Rosemarie Holmes - Margaret Linaburg  
(68.15) Lawrence De Lucia - Percy Brown  
(67.56) B Robert Simrak - Nicolai Minenko  
(67.36) Jeffrey Lesser - Sheila Lesser  
(67.18) Kenneth Badertscher - Nancy Atherton  
(66.92) B Robert Simrak - Nicolai Minenko  
(66.90) Faith Alster - Dorothy Lu  
(66.67) Martin Schiff Jr - Michael Levy  
(66.20) Cookie Evans - Henry Buch  
(65.97) Cookie Evans - Ann Day  
(65.38) Kathleen Jacobs - Cynthia Coleman  
(65.28) David Burks - George Kersels  
(65.12) Martin Schiff Jr - Kenneth Badertscher

## Recent Rank Advances

### New Junior Masters:

Kathleen Buinicky  
Rose Fries  
Elaine Goldberg  
Jeanne McCleery  
Jim Miller

### New Club Masters:

Gordon Diss  
Charles Greenberg  
Ann Hirschhorn  
Donna Moore  
Kay Stitzel

### New Sectional Masters:

Lee Barnes  
Ellie Eigen

### New Regional Masters:

Duane Dietrich

### New Bronze Life Masters:

Mary Bonham  
Judson Jones  
William Schelstrate

## Unit Game Reservations

If you would like to make a reservation for a unit game, please call or sign up at the club where the game will be held.

Reservations are greatly appreciated for pairs who required North/South seating and for the special I/N Section.

## The Kibitzer is Going Green

As of the March kibitzer, we went green. A copy of the kibitzer will be posted at the clubs and available on the unit website at [www.SouthernArizonaBridge.com](http://www.SouthernArizonaBridge.com) in PDF format for easy download. The online version will feature an updated format with larger font size.



## Unit Event Results

### July 17 – Unit Game Las Candelas (17 tables open)

	A	B	C
David and Sue Sachs	1		
Jean Montague & Judson Jones	2		
Lorraine Vonk & Fran Herrmann	3		
Carolyn & Steve Reynolds	4		
Naomi Smith & Rita Smith	5		
Betty Fine & Diana Humphreys	6		
David & Marty Chakmakian		1	
Diana McGinn & Stephanie Parks		2	
Sara Baumann & Stephen Pozez		3	
Mabel Kadet & Mary Ahearn		4	
Walter Mann & Lanie Constable		5	
Jere Webb & Clay Mottaz			1
Bill Schelstrate & Barbara Dever			2

### July 17 —Unit game Las Candelas (7 tables NLM)

	D	E	F
Margaret Curvin & Eileen Sherlock	1		
Dave Miller & Jim Miller	2	1	1
Shirley Gardner & Terry Coe	3		
Duncan MacDonnell & Janet Linn	4	2	2
Julie Harston & Gail Titus	5		

### I/N Corner by Jo-Ann Vaughn

I hope everyone who played in July's Unit game at Las Candelas had a great afternoon. I appreciate everyone's support to keep the momentum going for the NLM section. The Unit Game this month is Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at Las Candelas. As always, a light lunch is served prior to the beginning of the game at 1 PM. Please call Las Candelas (696-9101) to make your reservation. If you need help finding a partner, please let me know. Remember there are extra black points awarded for this game! Please watch for upcoming information about the Pro/AM Swiss Team Event on October 9<sup>th</sup>. **Start thinking about a "Pro" partnership to pair up with and play on the 9<sup>th</sup>.**

*The Convention Card - Quoted from the Exciting World of Bridge by ACBL*  
Before you play, you and your partner need to fill out a convention card. A convention card is just that: a card that shows the conventions you use along with your general approach to bidding.

The card serves two purposes. One, it tells your opponents what you play. Your opponents are the only people entitled to look at your card during the game (though clubs are somewhat lenient about this rule for the new player). Two, making out a card allows you and your partner to get your understandings straight. Many longtime partnerships have improved their game just on this alone.

For help filling out your convention card, please visit [ACBL.org](http://ACBL.org) online.

As the I/N representative to the Unit Board, I represent your voice to the Unit Board. If you have any suggestions, questions or concerns, please contact me. I look forward to hearing from you. You may contact me at [jhvaughn49@gmail.com](mailto:jhvaughn49@gmail.com)

See you at the table! Jo-Ann



BRIDGE BITES from The American Contract Bridge League

**TOO EASY**  
By: Brian Gunnell

This week's Declarer got to a great slam but he forgot to make his contract. It was just too easy.

	♠ T854 ♥ ♦ KQJT52 ♣ AKQ	
♠ J96 ♥ A9543 ♦ 63 ♣ T43	North  West East  South	♠ 3 ♥ KQJT76 ♦ A98 ♣ 962
	♠ AKQ72 ♥ 82 ♦ 74 ♣ J875	

**None Vulnerable**

South West North East

2♥

2♠ 4♥ 6♠! Pass

Pass Pass

West leads the ♥A and, when Dummy goes down, who would blame Declarer for thinking “Yippee! What a terrific slam, and on just a combined 25 HCP! Nicely bid, pard!”

Declarer ruffs that ♥A opening lead and, without pausing for thought, cashes the ♠A and ♠K. When East shows out on the second round of trumps, Declarer ponders awhile (it's a bit late now!) before realizing that “Oops!” and not “Yippee!” is the appropriate exclamation. Yes, indeed, Declarer has goofed mightily. He cannot draw the last trump (that would let the defense score a Heart and a Diamond), so he ruffs a Heart on the board and exits with the ♦K. But that doesn't work, either. East wins the ♦A and returns a Diamond which must be won in Dummy. Now Declarer has no way back to his hand to draw that last enemy trump. He'll cash a Diamond and lead another one, but, when East follows to the third round, Declarer will know that his goose is cooked. Whether he ruffs high or low, West's ♠J will score a trick. Down one!

Of course, the winning line is to ruff the opening Heart lead, cross to the ♠A, *ruff another Heart*, and *then* draw trumps. Now is the time for that yippee. Trick 1 was the time for thinking.

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## WEEKLY CLUB SCHEDULES

Club	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Adobe Bridge Club</b> (Gene McDougall, Club Manager) <a href="mailto:adoblebridge@qwestoffice.net">adoblebridge@qwestoffice.net</a> 3727 E Blacklidge - <b>795-2441</b> <a href="http://www.adobebridgeclub.org">www.adobebridgeclub.org</a>	<b>1:00pm</b> Open	<b>12:30pm</b> Open	<b>12:30pm</b> Open & NLM	<b>12:30pm</b> Open	<b>12:30pm</b> Open & NLM	<b>12:30pm</b> Open	<b>9:00am</b> NLM <b>1:00pm</b> Open
<b>Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club</b> Games Open to Members and Guests Only (Al Bowman—Club Manager) <a href="mailto:albowmangv@cox.net">albowmangv@cox.net</a> <a href="http://members.cox.net/gvbridge">members.cox.net/gvbridge</a>		<b>1:00pm</b> Inv Canoa			<b>1:00pm</b> Inv Canoa	<b>1:00pm</b> Inv Canoa	
<b>High Desert Hands</b> (Carol Lee Erbeck, Club Manager) <a href="mailto:carol@crazyedoptical.com">carol@crazyedoptical.com</a> 1270 Treasure Road, Sunsites - <b>559-7894</b>						<b>12:00pm</b>	
<b>Las Candelas Bridge Club</b> (Sunny Bal, Club Manager) <a href="mailto:contact@lascandelasbridgeclub.com">contact@lascandelasbridgeclub.com</a> 401 E. Limberlost - <b>696-9101</b> <a href="http://www.bridgewebs.com/lascandelas">www.bridgewebs.com/lascandelas</a>	<b>1:00pm</b> Open	<b>12:30pm</b> Open	<b>9-11am</b> Bid and Play  <b>12:30pm</b> Open & NLM	<b>12:30pm</b> Open & NLM <b>6:30p</b> Open	<b>12:30pm</b> Open	<b>10:00am</b> Open & NLM	
<b>Mountain View Duplicate Bridge Club</b> (Jo Ann Aiken, Club Manager) <a href="mailto:jotax123@aol.com">jotax123@aol.com</a> 38759 Mountain View Blvd, Saddlebrooke - <b>818-1727</b> <a href="http://Mountainviewbridgeclub.com">Mountainviewbridgeclub.com</a>			<b>1:00pm</b>			<b>1:00pm</b>	
<b>Queen of Hearts Bridge Club 744-4212</b> (James Richhart, Manager)— <a href="mailto:richhart@comcast.net">richhart@comcast.net</a> On Dove Mountain Rd, 2.3 Mi North off Tangerine Rd					<b>9:00am</b> Thru April 2010		
<b>Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club</b> (Doris Kuzmak, Director/Manager) <a href="mailto:dldkay@cox.net">dldkay@cox.net</a> <b>625-4027 or 237-1959</b> —600 S La Canada, Green Valley, Parish Hall at St. Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church <a href="http://www.members.cox.net/saguarodbc2">www.members.cox.net/saguarodbc2</a>							<b>12:30pm</b> Open
<b>Thunder Mountain Bridge Club</b> 608 E Fry Boulevard, Sierra Vista <b>803-9564, 432-3883 or dhard@cox.net</b> <a href="http://www.sierravistabridge.com">www.sierravistabridge.com</a>		<b>12:30pm</b>		<b>12:30pm</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>12:30pm</b>	
<b>Tucson Charity Bridge</b> (Ruth Houkom, Club Manager) 5360 E Pima Street, Tucson <a href="mailto:info@tucsoncharitybridge.com">info@tucsoncharitybridge.com</a> OR <a href="http://www.tucsoncharitybridge.com">www.tucsoncharitybridge.com</a>		<b>5pm</b> NLM (Ventana)			<b>10:00am</b> NLM		

## SPECIAL EVENTS SCHEDULE – August 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	August 1	August 2	August 3	August 4	August 5	August 6
						<b>AD NAP (aft)</b> <b>S NAP</b>
August 7	August 8	August 9	August 10	August 11	August 12	August 13
		<b>AD B &amp; C</b>	<b>LC CC</b>		<b>MV CC</b>	<b>AD NAP (aft)</b>
August 14	August 15	August 16	August 17	August 18	August 19	August 20
<b>Unit Game</b> (Las Candelas)		<b>LC NAP</b>	<b>AD CC</b>		<b>LC B</b>	<b>AD C (both)</b>
August 21	August 22	August 23	August 24	August 25	August 26	August 27
	<b>STaC AD, LC</b>	<b>STaC AD, LC, MV</b>	<b>STaC AD, LC</b>	<b>STaC AD, LC</b>	<b>STaC AD, LC, MV</b>	<b>STaC AD</b>
August 28	August 29	August 30	August 31			
	<b>AD NAP</b> <b>LC NAP</b>		<b>AD NAP</b>			

**Abbreviations:** **AD**—Adobe, **LC**—Las Candelas, **MV**—Mountain View, **QH**—Queen of Hearts, **S**—Saguaro, **TM**—Thunder Mountain, **B**—Birthdays, **BAM**—Board-a-Match, **CAC**—Club Appreciation Championship, **CC**—Club Championship, **CG**—Charity Game, **MAG**—Member Appreciation Game, **NLM**—Non Life Master, **IN**—Intermediate /Novice, **SFG**—Special Fund Game, **SR**—Sectionally Rated, **ST**—Swiss Teams, **UWC**—Unit Wide Championship, **WWP**—World Wide Pairs