

the Desert Kibitzer



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Unit 356



May 2008

This Months Events

May 2-4
Sectional (Santa Fe)

May 2-4
Sectional (Boulder)

May 4
Unit Game-Awards
(Adobe) 1:00 PM

May 5-11
GW Spring STaC
(Local Clubs)

May 16-18
Sectional (Scottsdale)

May 20-26
Regional (Denver)

Many people have asked
for the Desert Kibitzer to
be sent to them via e-mail.

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always be found on our
website at
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Welcome New Members

Lisette Daigle
Norma Griffin
Patricia Hansen
David Lloyd
Donald Meyer
Lois Sampson
Thomas Ungar

Monthly Master Point Winners

Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club

Top Ten Master Point Winners

Russ Stowars (10.19), Franz Schatz, Gail Meyer, Sue Sachs, Dave Sachs, Lorraine Vonk,
Ron Payne, Bob Wharton, Jim Howland, Ernie Perkins (5.63)

Las Candelas Bridge Club

Master Point Winners Under 300

(11.01) Walter Mann; (6.15) Larry Hudgens; (5.99) Pat Tierney; (5.96) Tim Donovan; (4.49) John Piet

Master Point Winners 300—1000

(14.24) Jean Montague; (12.55) Dave Douglass; (10.51) Eric Swanson; (8.53) Nona Dale; (7.92) Dick Augur

Mountain View Bridge Club

Top Master Point Winners

A: Jo Ann Aiken (3.94); Paul Shalita (2.94); John Wolf (1.69)

B: Steve Dorse (2.9); Ron Morris (2.60); Susan Hagerty (1.57)

Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club

Top Five Master Point Winners

Franz Schatz (5.20); Fran Herrmann (4.65); Lorraine Vonk (3.99); Julie Alderfer (3.35); Margret Salazar (3.04)

Thunder Mountain Bridge Club

Top Ten Master Point Winners

George Willis (8.00), Paul Soper, Margarete Gallaer, Don Hard, Larry Scott, Jessie King, Joyce Davis,
Julie Montemayor, Jeanne Rudolph, and Peggy Wilder (3.61).

Special Congratulations

Top Percentage Games for the Month

Larry Dunham & Nancy Atherton (73.02) and Eric Vonderheid & Paul Shalita (73.00)

Unit 356 Director Appreciation Day

Kay Afdahl will be having a two session Director Appreciation Day on Sunday, May 18, 2008—10:00AM at Las Candelas. She will be teaching the ACBL data base Enrichment Program and discussing how to make calls on difficult or unusual situations. This event is open to directors or any other interested party. Lunch will be served between sessions. Sonny Bal will be donating Las Candelas for the event, and Unit 356 is the events sponsor. There are sign up sheets at Las Candelas and Adobe Bridge clubs.

Recent Rank Advances

Junior Master:

Ronald Gagne; Chrissy Inglett;
Ann King; Cynthia Peters;
Keith Stearns and
John and Mary Ziegelbauer

Club Master:

Arthur and Susan Ammann;
Jane Klug; Barbara Olson
and John Purdy

Sectional Master:

Dale Hill; Vito Konur;
Lynn Sawyer and Lloyd Sydney

Regional Master:

Rosemarie Holmes

NABC Master:

Dean Frost and
Shirley Soucek

Life Master:

Barry and Julie Abrahams and
Robert Walton

Silver Life Master:

Eugene McDougall

Adobe Bridge Club

By Barbarbra Rosenthal

65% Games: (73.02) Larry Dunham/Nancy Atherton;(66.50) Nic Minenko/Sidney Kaye;(67.79) Sharon Demmons/Frank Giuffreda;(66.01) Lou Herbster/Phyllis Herbster;(68.11) Randy Mandigo/Larry Dunham;(66.67) Sue Sachs/David Sachs;(67.47) Marty Schiff/Mike Levy;(69.91) George Good/Greg West;(65.91) Bob Mungovan/Connie Putz and(66.29) Carol Pilmar/Lois Jameson. Club Championships: 3/7-N/S-Julia Sherman/Donna McGrath, E/W-Mike Levy/Jeff Lesser; 3/10-N/S-Phyllis and Lou Herbster, E/W Larry De Lucia/Linda Lineberry; 3/12-N/S-Bob Simrak/Martin Schiff, E/W-Lynne Schlangen/June Hensala; 3/2 N/S-M. Schiff/M.Levy, E/W-Ken Badertscher/Linda Lineberry 3/25-N/S-George Good/Greg West, EW-Lois Jameson/John Antliff ; 3/30-N/S-Lois Jameson/Ken Badertscher, E/W-Shan and Art Warrick. Announcements: **Wednesday's** are 20 masterpoint games, Thursdays is NLM game at 12:30PM. Supervised play Fridays 9-11AM for \$3.00 no reservation (conducted by Dev De Lucia) We will be having STaC games Monday May 5 thru Sunday May 11.

Mountain View Bridge Club

By Ron Morris

We have duplicate games on Tuesday and Friday of each week in the DesertView Center at 1:00 PM. The games are open to all. If you would like to play, but do not have a partner, phone Barbara Feeley 825-6837, or JoAnn Aiken 818-1727, and we will try to locate a playing partner for you. We had nine sessions in March. Pairs with greater than 60% games included: Blanche Waldstreicher & Robert Brussel; Darwin & Kay Afdahl; Susan Hagerty & Roy Aiken; Bob Stotts & Ed Anderson; Ed Helpert & Jo Ann Aiken; Craig & Lynda Saunders; Anne Hinge & JoAnn Aiken; Steve Dorse & Ron Morris. In addition, Eric Vonderheid & Paul Shalita had a 73% game! Well done to all.

*"If you do not force
your opponents to
make mistakes you
cannot win"*
Marty Bergen



Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club

By Doris Kuzmak

Club Championships: March 29

1st Overall:(A) Shirley & Charles Weisenthal

1st Overall: (B) Ted Walden & Bob Ward

1st Overall (C) Julie Alderfer & Joan Robertson

Announcements: Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 7, 2008 - WORLDWIDE BRIDGE CONTEST - 50% Red- 50% Black @ 100% Sectional. This is the only time this contest will be played in the Unit!!!! \$15.00 per Pair Entry. Analysis Booklet Included. There will be Wine & Cheese after session

Green Valley Bridge Club

By Catherine Clark

65% Games: Linda Miller - Gail Meyer; (2) Margaret Salazar - Emmanuel Vuvunas; Lee and Don Peterson; Sue and Dave Sachs (2) Joan and Gene Opinante; Ted Fones - Franz Schatz; Shelton Howland - Carol Skomars; RayAustin - Roy Mastic; Warren Fuesz - Sally Payne; Franz Schatz - Russ Stowars. Unit wide: Section B, N/S: 1. Linda Miller - Mike Cregg; 2. Lorraine Vonk - Donna Pasley; 3. Anne West - Lillian Mahvi. E/W: 1. Darlene Armacost - Ted Walden; 2. Benita Nelson - Karen Eble; 3. Sally Payne - Roy Mastic; Section C: N/S: 1. Rollie Armacost - Ron Payne; 2. Pat McCoy - Phyllis Alley; 3. Maggie Wharton - Kathy Witham. E/W: 1. Ramona Bruce - Carol Skomars (65.28); 2. Mary and Bob Baptist; Joan and Gene Opinante Section D N/S: 1. Bob Wharton - Frank Giuffreda; 2. Shirley Spink - Jean James; 3. Pat Keyser - Betsy Mullenix. E.W: 1. Sue and Dave Sachs; 2. Morris Lamb - John Arnold; 3. Tom Kent - Marcia NagleClub ChampionshipL 1. Russ Stowars - Bob Wharton (67.59); 2/4: Ernie Perkins - Jim Howland; Gail Meyer - Darlene Armacost; Tom Kent - Marcia Nagle; 49ersGames: Dorothy Korbel - Lee Barnes. Club Championships: 1. Dorothy - Vern Ebert; 2. Dolrothy Burgeson - Kay Merriman; 3. Mary - John Ziegelbauer

Thunder Mountain Bridge Club

By Chris Hasney

Don Hard and Paul Soper, Sully Frumentti and Don Hard had 69.00% games. George Willis and Paul Soper turned in a 66.70% game. George Willis and Bob Feger were named Life Master and Non-Life Master of the month. Margarete Gallaer and Larry Scott became club champions for the Monday afternoon game. Elaine Kiefer and Margarete took the honors for the Wednesday afternoon game. Joyce Davis and Kaye Dean and rookie player Bob Feger won the Friday afternoon game.

Las Candelas Bridge Club

By Mary Dixon

65% Games: (69.71) Jo Fritz-Doug Fritz; (68.72) Dick Friedman-Shakti Routh; (68.52) Ray Grady-Jean Montague; (68.49) Eric Swanson-Walt Mann; (67.82) Jean Montague-Ray Grady; (67.59) Wagner Van Vlack-Shakti Routh; (67.50) Lorraine Vonk-Franz Schatz; (66.67) Rita Smith-Imogene Olcott; (65.97) Karen Swanberg-Michelle Werley; (65.74) Duncan McDonnell-Janice McDonnell; (65.66) Dave Douglass-John Antliff; (65.51) Dick Friedman-Linda French; (65.51) Chi Newman-John Piet; (65.22) Marian Rogge-JoAnn Aiken; (65.05) Ray Grady-Jean Montague. Club Championships: Tuesday, March 4: (1) Shakti Routh-Wagner Van Vlack; (2) Chi Newman-John Piet; (3/4) Andrew Monk-Sandra Monk; (3/4) Paul Yantz-Ken Freeman; Thursday, March 20: (1) Dave Malec-Vikki Malec; (2) Lorraine Vonk-Dick Augur; (3) Jeri Vanatta-Dick Friedman; (4) Dave Douglass-Shakti Routh. Announcements: Birthday Friday - May 2 10:00 am. Club Championships will be Wednesday, May 21 Open, 299er and Evening. STaC games will be held each session Monday, May 5 thru Friday, May 9.

"Bad Ken's Scars from the Trenches".

Sue S from Baja Arizona says that "when the opponents find their comfort zone, you must bid to take them out of it. Here is another hand from Fredona. Lucky's hand held ♠K10542, ♥9, ♦K98, and ♣A976. Lucky's right hand opponent opened 3♣'s, Lucky passed and Lefty bid 3♥'s (forcing in most systems), Bad Ken passed, and right hand opponent bid 4♥'s. OH—OH, the comfort zone. Lucky quickly bid 4♠'s--Sue told me she had once bid 4♠'s in this situation with a 4 card suit to get them out of their comfort zone. Long story short--4♠'s happened to make 4 on a hand that the opponents could make 4♥'s. Nobody was sure if they were supposed to sacrifice so we played 4♠'s. Actually, that leads me to another rule which we will talk about soon. "Taking out insurance" is a concept that says you should bid one more when you think the opponents might make their contract. Lucky took out insurance when h bid 4♠'s and maybe our opponents should have bid five hearts to take out insurance.

Happy Birthday to our
May Friends
Astrological Signs—Taurus
and Gemini
Birthstone—Emerald
113 chances to play bridge in
Southern Arizona
"Let us respect gray hairs,
especially our own"
J.P. Sears

Unit Game Results April 20 —(15 Tables)

Flight A—Overall

1. Louis Herbster—Phillis Herbster
2. Wagner Van Vlack—Dave Douglass
3. Jo Ann Aiken—Marian Rogge

Flight B—Overall

1. Jo Ann Aiken—Marian Rogge
2. Jo Ann Miller—Julia Sherman
3. Casey Jarvis—Chris Jarvis

Section Rank—North/ South

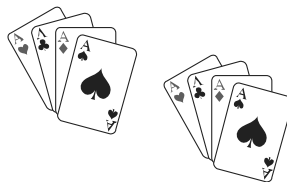
1. Jo Ann Aiken—Marian Rogge
2. Jo Ann Miller—Julia Sherman
3. Jodi Walker—Joseph Rosenbaum

Section Rank— East West

1. Lois Herbster—Phillis Herbster
2. Wagner Van Vlack—Dave Douglass
3. Casey Jarvis—Chris Jarvis



Norton Hall



Unit Wide Championship

March 21

Flight A

1. Doug Fritz - Shakti Routh
2. Edward Helpert - Jo Ann Aiken
3. Martin Schiff Jr - Kenneth Badertscher

Flight B

1. Doug Fritz - Shakti Routh
2. Edward Helpert - Jo Ann Aiken
3. Ramona Bruce - Carol Skomars

Flight C

1. Thomas Zolnay - Elinor Horner
2. Sheila Caterraccio - Rhoda Kaplan
3. Bud Smith - Martha Winn

Speeding up play. "Once the bidding is over, if you are the opening leader, do not pass go, do not collect \$200, do no write the contract on your private score, or anything other than place your lead face down on the table."

On May 4, 2008, at the Unit Game Awards, Ken Badertscher will be giving a lecture on Pre-empts. The game is at 1:00PM and Ken's lecture will precede the awards ceremony.

DISTRICT 17 & UNIT 356 WEBSITES

<http://district17news.com> - Schedules for District 17 Regionals, Sectionals & Events
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WEEKLY CLUB SCHEDULES

Club	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Adobe Bridge Club (Barbara Rosenthal, Club Manager) 3727 E Blacklidge—795-2441 http://www.adobebridgeclub.org/	1:00p	12:30p	12:30p Open and 0-999	12:30p Open and Novice	12:30p Open and NLM	12:30p	9:00a NLM 1:00p
Green Valley Duplicate Bridge Club Games Open to Members and Guests Only (Catherine Clark, Manager)—648-1781 members.cox.net/gvbridge		1:00p Inv West			6:30p Inv Canoa	1:00p Inv West	
High Desert Hands 1270 Treasure Road, Sunsites (Carol Lee Erbeck—Club Manager)—559-7894 carol@crazyedoptical.com						12:00p	
Las Candelas Bridge Club (Sonny Bal, Manager)—696-9101 401 E. Limberlost www.lascandelasbridgeclub.com		12:30p	12:30p Open	12:30p 299'r & Open 6:30p	12:30p Open Handicap	10:00a Open	
Mountain View Duplicate Bridge Club (Jo Ann Aiken, Club Manager)—818-1727 38750 Mountain View Blvd, Saddlebrooke Mountainviewbridgeclub.com			1:00p		1:00p	1:00p	
Queen of Hearts Bridge Club (James Richhart, Manager)—744-4212 On Dove Mountain Rd, 2.3 Mi North off Tangerine Rd	<i>Contact Jim Richhart for game dates & times</i>						
Saguaro Duplicate Bridge Club (Doris Kuzmak, Director/Manager)—625-4027 or 237-1959—600 S La Canada, Green Valley, Parish Hall at St. Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church — dldkay@cox.net							12:30p Open
Thunder Mountain Bridge Club 608 E Fry Boulevard, Sierra Vista—803-9564 or 432-3883		12:30p		12:30p	6:30p	12:30p	

SPECIAL EVENTS SCHEDULE—May 2008 (National Hamburger Month)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				May 1	May 2	May 3
				May Day	Birthdays LC Sectional (Santa Fe) Sectional (Boulder)	Sectional (Santa Fe) Sectional (Boulder)
May 4	May 5	May 6	May 7	May 8	May 9	May 10
Awards Unit Game AD—1:00PM Sectional (Santa Fe) Sectional (Boulder)	STaC AD LC Cinco de Mayo	STaC AD LC	STaC AD LC	STaC AD LC No Socks Day	STaC AD LC	STaC AD
May 11	May 12	May 13	May 14	May 15	May 16	May 17
STaC AD					Sectional (Scottsdale)	Sectional (Scottsdale)
Mother's Day		Leprechaun Day				
May 18	May 19	May 20	May 21	May 22	May 23	May 24
Sectional (Scottsdale)		Regional (Denver)	CC LC Regional (Denver)	Regional (Denver)	Regional (Denver)	Regional (Denver)
May 25	May 26	May 27	May 28	May 29	May 30	May 31
Regional (Denver)	Regional (Denver) Memorial Day					

Abbreviations: AD – Adobe, MV – Mountain View, TM – Thunder Mountain, LC – Las Candelas, QH – Queen of Hearts - S – Saguaro
CC – Club Championship, CAC – Club Appreciation Championship, NLM – Non Life Master, IN – Intermediate / Novice