

OUR BRIDGE TO YOU

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Player Profile – Barney Gorter



I have played bridge off and on for more than 60 years and still find the game intriguing. Maybe it's my competitive nature, or maybe it's the fun of spending time with smart, interesting people. Whatever it is, I keep coming back.

I played my first game around age 10, when my dad taught me and my siblings Culbertson. Being kids, we lost interest after about six months, and so I was next back at the table at age 18, kibitzing and then sitting in at the perpetual games played in the PSU cafeteria. After graduation I began playing duplicate, at the old Cavendish Club off Burnside. On my first day, partnering with a more experienced player named Naomi Thomas, we managed to come in first, and from that point I was hooked. When Katie Cunneen and Barbara Davis formed the Portland Bridge Club at Second and Stark, I spent the next decade playing Wednesday nights there with a variety of partners.

In the early 1980s I began a successful partnership with Pat Zinsli (later Pat Dennis), playing four-card majors, and in 1987 we stepped up our game by switching to 2/1.

Playing teams with Diane Johnson and Dave Smith at the 1988 Grand Nationals in Salt Lake City, we tied for 5th through 8th and picked up 26 Golds – a nice addition to my then grand total of 40 masterpoints. In 1992, I began partnering with Stew Dresch and playing teams with Craig West and Ward Schaumberg, once defeating a team that included John Lusky and Randy Pickett, who remain among the best players in this area. We also joined forces at one time with Joel Datloff and Linda Wiener, defeating the Dunn team from Seattle in KOs. For me, a B-level player at the time, these little victories stood out.

Stew stopped playing in 2001, and soon after that I turned my focus from bridge to politics. In 2002, I retired after 30 years at the Oregon Department of Human Services – the same day my wife, Anne, retired after 25 years at OHSU. Although we enjoyed travel and attending live theater (the latter we still do), I wanted to do something more serious with my time. So, as a member of SEIU Local 503's Political Action Executive Council, I lobbied the state legislature and U.S. Congress on issues of healthcare and domestic violence. I also served as a delegate to the 2004 Democratic convention in Boston, worked on Senator Kerry's 2004 presidential campaign, and as Darlene Hooley's delegate attended a White House conference on aging in 2007. The highlight of my political activism came in 2009 when, as vice-chair of the 5th Congressional District Democrats and a member of the Electoral College having voted for Barack Obama, I enjoyed a third-row-right seat at President Obama's inauguration. Two memories stand out: shivering like crazy on that 18-degree day and being seated close to the podium and Oprah.

In 2012, I had had enough of politics and decided to return to the bridge table. Having played very rarely over that decade, I engaged Bill Hardy for lessons, which I continue to this day. Working on new skills, along with having a great group of partners, makes the game worth it for me. I was sad to see my most frequent partner, Judy Kay, depart for Florida, but I continue to enjoy playing with Ray Robert, Rick Prouser, Merlin Vilhauer, Ron Senn, Ed Lee, and Mike Eyer. My bridge goals are pretty simple – to play as well as I can and to keep on having fun.

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FROM YOUR UNIT BOARD

Members of the Unit Board are delighted to announce that our Fall Sectional Sep. 8-10 hosted the largest turnout in more than 20 years: 265 tables. In other good news, carpooling has been effective, with three parking spots left over on Friday in the visitors' lot that we share with Montgomery Park employees. We also thank Royal Oak Metal Craft, at 29th & Nicolai, for setting aside space in the north of their lot for Friday players.

We are excited about the Willamette Sectionals Nov. 4-5 (see flyer, back page). The NLM event on Saturday morning will decide the Battle of the Willamette champs. In other tournament news, we have added a new Sunday event to the Winter Sectional Jan. 26-28, 2018: Fast Pairs. We encourage those who do not plan to play Swiss that day to try out this fun, rapid-pace game.

After three years on the job, OBTY editor Martha Maroney is stepping down. We thank her for her contributions and encourage anyone interested in becoming our next editor to let a board member know.

We thank Christy Wiegel for donating the wooden card holders for our Catlin Gabel bridge class, which has 12 students this fall. Volunteers are always needed, so please contact Nancy Jonske if you want to help.

Last, a reminder about table etiquette. Apparently, the subject of politics has crept into between-rounds conversations, where it does not belong. Feel free to discuss sports, the weather, grandkids, etc. – but please, not politics.

Our next meeting takes place Thu., Oct. 12, 3:00 p.m. at the Ace of Clubs. Everyone is invited, and we welcome your feedback and ideas.

MEMBER NEWS



On **Sep. 23**, eight tables of well-wishers gathered at the Ace to celebrate **Donna Braniff's** birthday, meet family members & friends, enjoy cake, and play some cards. Winners of the Club Special game were George & Nancy Crawford (N/S) and Frank Nemeth & Martha Maroney (E/W). *Pictured with Donna are Staci & Bella, Deb Hart, Ron Christian (son), and Gail Nedrow (daughter).*

COMING EVENTS

Oct. 2-8: Oregon Coast Regional, Seaside Convention Center
Oct. 14-15: Vancouver NLM Sectional, Vancouver Bridge Club
Oct. 26-29: Central Oregon Coast Sectional, Shilo Inn, Newport
Nov. 4-5: Willamette Sectionals, Ace of Clubs & Portland Bridge Club
Nov. 4-5: Heart of the Valley 299er Sectional, Corvallis
Nov. 11-12: Vancouver Fall Sectional, Washington School for the Deaf
Dec. 9-10: District 20 North American Pairs Online Finals (*register by Nov. 25*)



PBC hosted 24½ tables Sep. 4 for its 2017 **Labor Day potluck and games**, with top spots won in Open, 499er, and 49er games, respectively, by these pairs: Ric Soohoo & Oris Mowry, Nely Johnson & Stu Director, and Linda Morgan & Starr Farrell.

Pictured: Inez Weiss, Sheila & Linda Wiener, Bob Law, Linda Boggess, Nasir Ali, Marc Franklin & Harriett Anderson, George O’Leary, Maria Hakki, and Clariner Boston.

Donna Braniff and Bill Hardy directed on **Sep. 5** when the **Ace of Clubs** hosted lunch and 8½ tables of local and visiting players from **Finesse West Tours**. Don Tofte & David Green (N/S) and Oris Mowry & Rick Prouser (E/W) took top spots in an event that was so successful the Ace will soon host a sequel: **Tue., Oct. 3, lunch at 11:30 a.m. and cards at 12:30 p.m.**

This game presents a rare opportunity to play at a time when most Portland-area games are canceled because of Seaside.

Reservations are required, so if you want to attend, be sure to sign up at the Ace or by calling the club right away.



Pictured: Donna & Bill, Dotty Osterburger (Columbia, Maryland), Sandy Edison (Boca Raton, Florida), Annette Katarincic (Boynton Beach, Florida), Jane Meyer (Show Low, Arizona), Joy Lewis (Mount Dora, Florida) & Carmina Diaz (Fort Mill, South Carolina), Linda Percy & Sugar Rubin (Naples, Florida), John Cooper (Denver), Fred Theurkauf (Redlands, California) & Anita Pettus (Lexington, Kentucky), George Derevanik (Huntington Beach, California), and Edie & Clayton Parker (Surprise, Arizona).

**Emerald Empire Regional
Valley River Inn
Jul. 31 – Aug. 6, 2017**

Mon-Tue KO-1

1 Merlin Vilhauer, John Ashton

Mon-Tue KO-2

1 Nancy Swanson, Andrew Nuxoll, Kevin Marnell,
Gene Hval

Tuesday Evening 299er Pairs

1 Sherry Lacombe-Ingham, Joy Fletcher
2 Carole Starr, Lois Garner

Tuesday A/B/C Pairs

1 Louis Beauchet, Bill Hardy

Tuesday Gold Rush Pairs

3 Frank Nemeth, Martha Maroney

Wednesday Afternoon 299er Pairs

2 Lois Garner, Carole Starr
3 Frank Nemeth, Martha Maroney

Wednesday Evening Swiss Teams

1 Jon Bartlett, Roger McNay, Robert Johnson
2 Salena Johnson, Barbara Beale, James Elliott

Thursday Afternoon 299er Pairs

1 Martha Maroney, Frank Nemeth
3 Jane Mausshardt, Marilyn Dodge

Wed-Thu KO-1

3/4 Hal Montgomery, John Ashton, Louis Beauchet
3/4 Amy Casanova, Rich Carle

Wed-Thu KO-2

3/4 Molly Harris, Holly Hummel, Miriam Witters,
Ed Stark

Wed-Thu KO-3

2 Phyllis Sutter, Nancy Remple, Thomas Chambers,
Bill Moore

Thursday Open Pairs

1 Jon Bartlett
3 Dan Hoekstra, Lynne Schaeffer

Thursday Evening Swiss Teams

1 Hal Montgomery, John Ashton, Louis Beauchet
2 Lynda Hirst, Charles Burns
3 Molly Harris, Holly Hummel, Ed Stark, Miriam Witters

Thu-Fri KO

3/4 Connie Coquillette, Edward Lee, David Green,
Lisa Fishman amenity

Thu-Fri KO-2

1 Margi Redden, Mike Amspacher
3 Deborah Lackey, Andrew Nuxoll, Kevin Marnell,
Pauline Bullert

Friday Evening Swiss Teams

1 Roger McNay, Joel Datloff, Jon Bartlett, John Ashton
3 Hal Montgomery, Nancy Jonske, Molly Harris,
Don Lowry

Friday Open Pairs

2 Amy Casanova, Robert Johnson
3 Stu Swan, Hadi Allahverdian

Friday Evening 299er Pairs

1 Angel Almanza
2 Joanne Ruyle, Carol Koch

Saturday ABC Pairs

2 Yiping Wang
3 Rich Carle, Connie Marfell

Saturday Evening Swiss Teams

3 Hal Montgomery, Dan Hoekstra, Stan Sather, Sam Asai

Fri-Sat KO-2

3/4 Ian Kirk, Deanna Birch, Paul Reeves, Veronica Reeves
3/4 Donald Weber, Elinor Hood

Saturday Compact KO-1

1 Connie Coquillette, Edward Lee, David Green,
Lisa Fishman

Saturday Compact KO-2

2 Margi Redden, Sylvia Riewerts

Thu-Sat Side Game Series

1/2 Ibby Brooke
3/4 Sam Asai
3/4 Sylvia Riewerts

Mon-Wed Side Game Series

3 Pauline Bullert

Sunday A/X Swiss Teams

1 Joel Datloff, Roger McNay, John Ashton, Jon Bartlett

Sunday Bracketed B Swiss Teams 2

3 Janet Clemmons, Joan Peres, Nely Johnson,
Virginia Sinclair-Brooks



With temperatures topping 95°F most days during the Eugene Regional, this was my favorite Valley River Inn amenity – Editor

Top Local Masterpoint Winners

84.51 John Ashton	15.68 Iby Brooke
67.20 Louis Beauchet	15.29 Yiping Wang
43.94 Merlin Vilhauer	13.44 Mike Amspacher
42.42 Rich Carle	13.42 Pauline Bullert
42.20 Jon Bartlett	13.19 Miriam Witters
38.78 Amy Casanova	13.06 Charles Burns
33.45 Roger McNay	12.95 Ian Kirk
29.90 Lisa Fishman	12.84 Veronica Reeves
29.90 Edward Lee	12.84 Paul Reeves
29.90 David Green	12.64 Phyllis Sutter
29.90 Connie Coquillette	12.39 Lynne Schaeffer
29.31 Bill Hardy	12.33 Deanna Birch
26.27 Hal Montgomery	12.20 Molly Harris
25.88 Joel Datloff	11.78 Joan Stark
25.30 Kevin Marnell	11.32 Don Lowry
24.66 Nancy Swanson	11.31 Stu Swan
24.66 Gene Hval	11.31 Hadi Allahverdian
23.94 Andrew Nuxoll	10.65 Deborah Lackey
22.07 Dan Hoekstra	10.61 Angel Almanza
21.82 Sam Asai	10.53 Martha Maroney
20.29 Margi Redden	10.53 Frank Nemeth
18.39 Ed Stark	10.42 Holly Hummel
17.24 Robert Johnson	10.17 Oris Mowry

Vancouver USA Sectional Aug. 18-20, 2017

Friday Morning Open Pairs

- 1 Isolde Knaap, Louis Beauchet
 - 2 Bob Law, David Castles
 - 3 Rich Carle, Mark Smith
- C1 Christopher Cross, Thomas Scharf

Friday Morning 299er Pairs

- 1 Frank Nemeth, Martha Maroney
- 2 Molly Herrle, Maureen Fennerty
- 3 Christine Ellis

Friday Afternoon Open Pairs

- 1 Roger McNay, Ethel Birnbach
 - 2 Kathleen Mather, Dick McCluer
 - 3 Bob Law, David Castles
- C1 Louis Beauchet, Bill Holloran

Friday Morning 299er Pairs

- 1 Vicki Setzer, Richard Zier
- 2 Nely Johnson, Joan Peres
- 3 Judy Scovil, James Scovil

Saturday Morning 299er Pairs

- 1 Patty Crispe, Beth Howard
 - 2 Dennie Scharer, Ricardo Berdichevsky
 - 3 Nely Johnson, Joan Peres
- C1 Judy Brown, Susan Tear

Saturday Open Pairs

- 1 Connie Marfell, Lynne Schaeffer
 - 2 Ric Soohoo, Oris Mowry
 - 3 Don Lowry, Kate Montgomery
- B1 Mariam Saner, Jan Yocom
C1 Kevin Marnell, Kimberly Dauphin

Garland Wilson 299er Pairs

- 1 James Scovil, Bruce Vanderploeg
- 2 Karen Stone, Angel Almanza
- 3 Guher Erbil, Stacy Rutledge

Sunday Morning Fast Pairs

- 1 Mike Amspacher, Elsie Chan
- 2 Don Weber, Elinor Hood
- 3 Dawn Campbell, Margaret Peterson

Sunday Stratiflighted B/C/D Swiss Teams

- 1 Kent Livingston, Alan Stewart, Reinhard Bohme, Kathleen Vasks
- 2 Deborah Lackey, Ann Grill, Cliff Allen, Wende Keirse
- 3 Toni Heitkamp, Kate Montgomery, Steven & Patricia Moody

Sunday Stratiflighted A/X Swiss Teams

- 1 Dewitt Hal, Raj Garg, Bruce Cuthbertson, Rich Carle
 - 2 Don Tofte, Kent Huang, Flo Savage, Ed Lee
 - 3 Don Lowry, Lynne Schaeffer, Dan Hoekstra, Connie Marfell
- X1 Gerard Hallee, Alan Johnson, Jim Wiser, Bill Lawrence

Top Local Masterpoint Winners

28.92 Lynne Schaeffer	11.70 Gerard Hallee
28.77 Ric Soohoo	11.55 Raj Garg
28.77 Oris Mowry	9.76 Kent Huang
28.64 Connie Marfell	9.76 Ed Lee
20.50 Don Lowry	9.42 Mariam Saner
19.82 Louis Beauchet	9.00 Linda Wiener
19.67 Hal Montgomery	9.00 Dave Brower
19.40 Rich Carle	8.67 Kathleen Mather
17.05 Roger McNay	8.66 Flo Savage
15.99 Bob Law	8.66 Don Tofte
15.99 David Castles	8.29 Dawn Campbell
15.82 Ethel Birnbach	8.26 Janie Percy
14.44 Bruce Cuthbertson	8.25 Dick McCluer
13.65 Kate Montgomery	8.12 Michael Levy
13.06 Isolde Knaap	8.01 Alan Johnson

Planning to Play in District 20 NAP Online Finals Dec. 9-10?

If so, you must register by Nov. 25. Go to the D20 website and click the link found under "North American Events."

**Portland Fall Sectional
Sep. 8-10, 2017**

Friday Morning Open Pairs

- 1 Salena Johnson, Connie Marfell
- 2 Nancy Swanson, Gene Hval
- 3 Dave Brower, Joel Datloff
- C1 Bill Holloran, Louis Beauchet



Friday Morning NLM Pairs

- 1 Ibby Brooke
- 2 John Dove, Guher Erbil
- 3 Jane Mausshardt, Marilyn Dodge
- C1 Robert Bolin, Louis Lauman



Friday Morning 99er Pairs

- 1 Elsie Hathaway, Philip Harder
- 2 Judi Roberts, Ronald Morgan
- 3 Judy Brown, Elizabeth Scully

Friday Afternoon Open Pairs

- 1 Don Lowry, Lynne Schaeffer
- 2 Ed Lee, Chuck Swart
- 3 Tim Rilling, Don Herring
- C1 Roger Thomas, Jon Gassaway



Friday Afternoon NLM Pairs

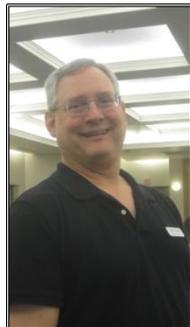
- 1 Nely Johnson, Joan Peres
- 2 Frank Nemeth, Martha Maroney
- 3 John Dove, Guher Erbil

Saturday Morning NLM Pairs

- 1 Patty Crispe, Beth Howard
- 2 Viola Wax, Paula Koeller
- 3 Molly Whittemore, Marilyn Dodge

Saturday Morning 99er Pairs

- 1 Joe Harjung, Daniel Evans
- 2 Anne Bogart, Rebecca Kovach
- 3 Fred & Carolyn Zeuthen



Saturday A/X Pairs

- 1 John Lusky, Dennis Metcalf
- 2 Lisa Fishman, Ed Lee
- 3 Linda Wiener, Dave Brower
- X1 Amy Casanova, Molly Harris

At the Sectional: Richard Krueger, Vicki Setzer, Hank Schouten, Roger Thomas, and Leanne Kerner & Barb Utz.

Saturday B/C/D Pairs

- 1 Kent Livingston, Alan Stewart
- 2 Leslie Kelson, Bill Holloran
- 3 Pauline Bullert, Cliff Allen
- D1 Jeanenne Chizum, Shirley Frank



Saturday Afternoon NLM Pairs

- 1 Jane Edwards, Elizabeth Joste
- 2 John Dove, Guher Erbil

Sunday A/X Swiss Teams

- 1 Eric Stoltz, Mark Tolliver, Jim Elliott, John Lusky
- 2 John Ashton, Hal Montgomery, Michael Levy, Dennis Metcalf
- 3 Dave Brower, Linda Wiener, Ric Soohoo, Oris Mowry
- X1 Gerard Hallee, Alan Johnson, Jim Wisner, Bill Lawrence

Sunday Bracketed B Swiss Teams 1

- 1 Alan Stewart, Kent Livingston, Renee Ferrera, Holly Hummel
- 2 Michael Walker, Ellie Schwartz, Ram Kashyap, Joe Habeich
- 3 Darrell Graham, Connie Saylor, Rosalyn Borys, Garland Wilson

Sunday Bracketed B Swiss Teams 2

- 1 Joan Powell, Edwin Van Dam, Linda Howe, Edward Celnicker
- 2 Ancer Haggerty, Greta Britt, Larry Jones, Richard Root
- 3 Kristin Steinmetz, Lee Machado, Karen Stone, Mike Stoner

Sun NLM Swiss Teams

- 1/2 John Dove, Janet Landesberg, Bruce Backup, Andrew Nuxoll
- 1/2 George O'Leary, James Unterspan, Patricia Jones, Susy Wagner

Top Local Masterpoint Winners

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 38.43 John Lusky | 14.53 Kent Livingston |
| 35.68 Ed Lee | 13.82 Amy Casanova |
| 34.58 Dennis Metcalf | 12.99 Jim Wisner |
| 30.46 Dave Brower | 12.56 Alan Johnson |
| 25.83 Connie Marfell | 12.18 Alan Stewart |
| 21.80 Lynne Schaeffer | 12.13 John Ashton |
| 21.61 Linda Wiener | 12.13 Hal Montgomery |
| 21.02 Chuck Swart | 12.08 Don Lowry |
| 18.71 Lisa Fishman | 11.64 Ric Soohoo |
| 16.45 Salena Johnson | 11.64 Oris Mowry |
| 16.42 Jim Elliott | 10.64 Nancy Swanson |
| 15.40 Mark Tolliver | 10.64 Gene Hval |
| 15.40 Eric Stoltz | 10.19 Joel Datloff |

Well done, Kent & Ben. Kent Livingston and Ben Levy scored a 74.3% in a 7.5-table Howell movement game Aug. 31 at Vancouver Bridge Club.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



Celebrate the Holidays with The Ace of Clubs' Annual Christmas Party on Friday December 8, Game at 7:00PM. Please call to make your reservation or sign up while at the club.

STAC RETURNS December 4-10 **SILVER POINTS**. We will hold STAC games for all sessions except for the Wednesday 299er game.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE HAND RECORDS PROVIDED FOR EVERY GAME				OCTOBER IS CLUB APPRECIATION MONTH EXTRA POINTS			
Monday	10:30a.m.	Open	Irene Pickett	October 11	Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	299er
	6:30p.m.	999er	Bill Hardy	<i>Lesson followed by supervised play at 11:00am</i>			
Tuesday	10:30a.m.	Open	Donna Braniff	October 16	Monday	10:30 a.m.	Open
	7:00p.m.	Open	Bill Hardy	October 20	Friday	10:30 a.m.	Open
Wednesday	10:00a.m.	299er	Irene Pickett	October 21	Saturday	1:00p.m.	Open
	<i>Lesson followed by supervised play at 11:00am</i>			October 23	Monday	6:30 p.m.	999er
Thursday	10:30a.m.	Open	Merlin Vilhauer	October 26	Thursday	10:30 a.m.	Open
	10:30a.m.	499er	Merlin Vilhauer			10:30 a.m.	499er
Friday	10:30a.m.	Open	Donna Braniff	October 29	Sunday	1:00 p.m.	299er
Saturday	1:00p.m.	Open	Donna Braniff	October 31	Tuesday	10:30 a.m.	Open
Sunday	1:00p.m.	299er	Flo Savage	October 31	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Open
NOVEMBER SPECIALS & MEMBERSHIP GAMES				GRAND NATIONAL TEAM QUALIFIERS			
November 10	Thursday	10:30 a.m.	Open	October 17	Tuesday	7:00p.m.	Open
November 18	Saturday	1:00 p.m.	Open	November 7	Tuesday	7:00p.m.	Open
November 26	Sunday	1:00 p.m.	299er				

CLUB NEWS

Congratulations to Marie and Dave Pinch, our winners of the Dick Braniff Legacy Award. Thanks again for all you do to make this club successful!

On October 3 we will have a catered lunch 11:30 for \$5 with a Unit game 12:30 to welcome our out of town guests from Finesse West Tours. See flyer for more information (we are limited on space so sign up while at the club or call soon). **NOTE THE LATE START TIME FOR THE GAME ON THIS TUESDAY!**

Starting Saturday October 14, we are moving back to the 1 p.m. start time.

Wednesday, October 11 will be Irene's Octoberfest Potluck. The mini lesson begins at 10a.m. with the 299er game following at 11a.m.



It's that time of year again... look out for the ghosts and goblins. Join us on Tuesday, October 31 at 10:30a.m. & 7:00 p.m. for a game filled with Halloween **tricks and treats**. Prizes for best costume!

Friday, November 10 we are celebrating Veteran's Day with a Unit Game at 1:00. All Veteran's play free. Join us for the fun!

The Ace has several classes ongoing. Beginning Bridge starts Thursday, October 11. Please call the club for more information on this and the other classes offered.

We are closed for Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 23. We hope you enjoy the holiday. We are thankful for each and everyone one of our players, directors and everyone who helps make the club a success!



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EXTRA! Read All About It

THE BIG MOVE. We are looking forward to a December move-in to our new home at Lloyd Center, suite 2010. Watch our website and your email for news about the specific date as well as farewell (Sandy) and hello (Lloyd Center) special events.

Holiday Party. Join us Sun. Nov. 19, for a full-on catered Thanksgiving feast: meal at noon, Unit Championship game at 1 pm. Advance signup required at the club or via the website. *Cost: \$20/person.*

0-500 Game Fridays, 11 am. We welcome 499ers to this game, which plays alongside our Open. Linda Wiener directs.

Hand of the Week. On our website we explore and analyze a hand of bidding interest from each Friday night game

Special Games

October is Club Appreciation month. We will host 11 – ELEVEN! – Club Appreciation specials, including a team game on Sun, Oct. 22 with Gold Points awarded. *See calendar.*

We also will host **Club Championships** Nov. 1, 10 & 27 (Sandy) and Nov. 13 (SWF); a **Unit Championship** at our Nov. 19 party; and **Membership Games** Nov. 7, 16, 22 & 24.

Lessons

Learn to Play Bridge. Continues through October. At Sandy: Mon. nights, 6:30-8:30 pm. At the MAC, Wednesdays, 2-4 pm.

Bid, Play, Learn I: The Basics. Every Wednesday, 6:30-8:30 pm, with David Castles.

Bid, Play, Learn II: Beyond the Basics. Every Thursday, 3:30-5:30 pm, with David Castles.

For all classes listed above, cost is \$20/session or \$15/session with a 5-lesson punch card.

Friday Night Mini-Lesson. Before the Mentor game we discuss an interesting bidding topic. 6:30 pm. Free.

Weekly Schedule – Sandy

Sun	2 pm	Open	Dave Brower
Mon	11 am	Open	Doug Jansen
	7 pm	0-50	Dave Brower
Tue	11 am	0-50 & 0-750	Dave Brower Linda Wiener
Wed	11 am	Open	Michael Walker Chris Wiegand
Thu	11 am	Open	Mary Hovda
Fri	11 am	Open & 0-500	Dave Brower Linda Wiener
	7 pm	Mentor Game	Linda Wiener

Special Games & Events – Sandy

Mon	Oct 2	7 pm	CLOSED for Seaside Regional
Tue – Sun		CLOSED for Seaside Regional	
Oct 3-8			
Wed	Oct 11	11 am	Club Appreciation
Fri	Oct 13	11 am	Birthday Bash & Club Appreciation
		7 pm	Mentor Game & Club Appreciation
Tue	Oct 17	11 am	Club Appreciation
Thu	Oct 19	11 am	Club Appreciation
Sun	Oct 22	2 pm	Teams & Club Appreciation
Mon	Oct 23	7 pm	Club Appreciation
Sun	Oct 29	2 pm	Club Appreciation
Mon	Oct 30	11 am	Club Appreciation
Wed	Nov 1	11 am	Club Championship
Sat	Nov 4	10:30 am & 3:30 pm	Willamette Sectional / NLM Pairs
Sun	Nov 5	1 pm	Willamette Sectional / NLM Teams
Tue	Nov 7	11 am	Membership Game
Fri	Nov 10	11 am	Birthday Bash & Club Championship
Sun	Nov 12	CLOSED for Vancouver Sectional	
Thu	Nov 16	11 am	Membership Game
Sun	Nov 19	12 pm	Holiday Party & Unit Championship Game
Wed	Nov 22	11 am	Membership Game
Fri	Nov 24	11 am	Membership Game
Mon	Nov 27	11 am	Club Championship

Weekly Schedule – South Waterfront

Mon	1 pm	Open	Chris Wiegand
Sat	1 pm	Open	Chris Wiegand

Special Games & Events – South Waterfront

Mon	Oct 2	CLOSED – Mirabella not available today
Sat	Oct 7	CLOSED for Seaside Regional
Mon	Oct 9	CLOSED – Mirabella not available today
Mon	Oct 23	Club Appreciation
Sat	Oct 28	Club Appreciation
Sat	Nov 4	CLOSED for Battle of the Willamette
Sat	Nov 11	CLOSED for Vancouver Sectional
Mon	Nov 13	Club Championship

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SCHEDULE AND EVENTS: October – November 2017

DAY	TIME	TYPE	DIRECTOR
MONDAY	12:00 PM	Open	Ian Kirk
	6:30 PM	0-300 MP	Ian Kirk
TUESDAY	10:30 AM	Open	Jan Yocom
	7:00 PM	Open	Ian Kirk
WEDNESDAY	10:30 AM	Open	Garland Wilson
	6:30 PM*	Mentored	Lynda Hirst
THURSDAY	10:30 AM	0-1500 MP	Steve Tubbs
	6:30 PM	0-100**	Deborah Lackey
FRIDAY	10:30 AM	Open	Jan Yocom
	7:00 PM	Open	Garland Wilson
SATURDAY	12:00 PM	0-500 MP & Open	Ian Kirk

*Come 30 minutes early to the Wednesday evening game for a brief lesson. Call or arrive 15 minutes early to be paired with a mentor or mentee. Mentors (Life Masters) play for free. **Mini-lesson 6:15 PM.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Instant Matchpoint Game.** Oct. 25, 12:00 PM.
- Vancouver NLM Sectional.** Oct. 14-15, Vancouver Bridge Club.
- Vancouver Fall Sectional.** Nov. 11-12, Washington School for the Deaf.



Grumpy? Duane Meader, Bill Mauck, and Bernie Hulse recently observed an average 90+ years of age among them with a spirited “grumpathon” at the club. Judging the event (at right) is Miriam Saner.

SPECIAL GAMES

Jane Johnson Club Appreciation (CA) Month. CA Pairs. Oct. 11, 10:30 AM; Oct. 13, 7:00 PM; Oct. 16, 6:30 PM; Oct. 17, 10:30 AM; Oct. 18, 6:30 PM; Oct. 19, 10:30 AM & 6:30 PM; Oct. 20, 10:20 AM; Oct. 21, 12:00 PM; Oct. 29, 1:00 PM. **CA Teams.** Oct. 12, 10:30 AM; Oct. 18, 10:30 AM; Oct. 20, 7:00 PM; Oct. 22, 1:00 PM (Eight is Enough); Oct. 23, 12:00 PM; Oct. 24, 7:00 PM; Oct. 25, 6:30 PM; Oct. 26, 10:30 AM & 6:30 PM; Oct. 27, 10:30 AM; Oct. 28, 12:00 PM; Oct. 30, 6:30 PM; Oct. 31, 10:30 AM.

Club Championships. Nov. 1, 10:30 AM; Nov. 5, 1:00 PM (Eight is Enough); Nov. 7, 10:30 PM; Nov. 9, 10:30 PM; Nov. 10, 7:00 PM; Nov. 20, 12:00 PM; Nov. 12, 10:30 AM, Nov. 28, 7:00 PM. **Charity Championships.** Nov. 15, 6:30 PM; Nov. 20, 10:30 AM. **Unit Game.** Nov. 8, 10:30 AM. **Membership Game.** Nov. 14, 10:30 AM. **GNT Qualifier.** Nov. 25, 12:00 PM.

Spooky Swiss Party. At 99er game Wed. Oct. 26: Terror Tacos at 6:00 PM, game at 7:00 PM. Come as a pair; we will form teams. Costumes optional. **RSVP much appreciated:** deborah@deborahlackey.com or 360-216-7484.

499er GAMES

0-300 MP Game. Monday nights 6:30 PM. Paced for newer players. **0-500 MP Game.** Saturdays 12:00 PM, preceded by a Q&A on conventions, strategies, and more. **Mentored games.** Wednesday nights, 6:30 PM.

SUNDAY GAMES

“EIGHT IS ENOUGH” Swiss Teams. Oct. 22 (CA) & Nov. 5 (Club Championship). Please RSVP in advance (360-737-3772) with names of team members, whether more are needed, and whether you need a team to join.
Open Pairs. Oct. 29 (CA). **Individual.** Nov. 26. All Sunday games: treats 12:30 PM, cards 1:00 PM.

LESSONS

Major Suit Raises. Last class in series, Sat., Oct. 21, 9:30-11:30 AM. Topics: maximal doubles and Jordan convention. Cost: \$15 (includes 8 boards of play). \$7/textbook. Instructor: Deborah Lackey, deborah@deborahlackey.com or 360-216-7484.

CLOSURES

We are closed Oct. 1, 4 & 8 (for Seaside), Nov. 11-12 (for our Fall Sectional at WSD), and Nov. 23 (Thanksgiving). Oct. 14-15 we host our NLM Sectional.

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WILLAMETTE SECTIONALS

November 4-5, 2017

WEST WILLAMETTE SECTIONAL (Open)

Ace of Clubs

11830 SW Kerr Pkwy., Suite 390
Lake Oswego, Oregon 97035
Phone: (503) 646-8252

Sat. Nov. 4, 10:30 AM and 3:30 PM

IMP Pairs, stratified (0-750, 750-2000, 2000+),
single sessions

Sun. Nov. 5, 10:30 AM and TBD

Swiss Teams, stratified, two sessions, victory
points

Sanction # 1711120

Partnership: Ron Root, 503-530-0331,
ronaldroot@comcast.net

EAST WILLAMETTE SECTIONAL (NLM<500)

Portland Bridge Club

8383 NE Sandy Blvd., Suite 300
Portland, Oregon 97220
Phone: (503) 252-1318

Sat. Nov. 4, 10:30 AM (**Battle of the Willamette**)

NLM (0-500) Pairs, stratified

Sat. Nov. 4, 3:30 PM

NLM (0-500) Pairs, stratified

Both Sat. Pairs games: 0-100 Pairs play
separately if number of tables permit.

Sun. Nov. 5, 1:00 PM

NLM (0-500) Swiss Teams, one session, win-
loss

Sanction # 1711121

Partnership: Jan Clemmons, 871-506-1580,
janclem@hotmail.com

Tournament Manager: Alan Johnson, 971-998-4261, apeace01@comcast.net

Cost per Session

General: \$10.00 for ACBL members whose dues are paid up, \$13.00 for others

Student: \$5.00 for ACBL members whose dues are paid up and who are under age 26 with student ID
\$8.00 for others under age 26 with student ID