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Bridge Across the District

Winter 2017-18

In a down year, Seaside stays in top 5

Attendance is down 6.6%

By Amy Casanova
The Trumpet

Everyone's favorite regional did not disappoint. The weather cooperated with clear skies, crisp ocean air, and bright sunshine most days, with a few dramatic clouds in the evening for effect.

Attendance was off 6.6%, down 206 tables from 2016, but it was hardly noticeable. There were plenty of brackets in the knockouts and there were four levels of pairs games most days.

However, turnout was down almost everywhere in 2017, and with only three regionals topping 3,000 tables – Gatlinburg



Palm Springs and Penticton – Seaside held onto its spot as the fifth-largest regional in North America. At 2,893, it was just 29 tables behind Houston.

ACBL President Bob Heller and his wife, Barbara, were charming and played

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Some open positions filled

Seaside was an excellent regional with sunny weather for the most part. ACBL President Bob Heller and his wife Barbara were in attendance.

Barbara Heller and Rich Carle won the Tuesday Open Pairs. Rich was a hard act to follow for me.

Heller spoke at the I/N reception and the teachers' breakfast. He also hosted a pizza party on Friday for D20 board members, which was greatly appreciated.

I have made several appointments to fill vacancies. Roger Thomas is appointed to the finance committee, replacing Irva Neyhart. Hendrik

Sharples has agreed to become district recorder, replacing Mike Eyer, who is now the Portland unit's area representative.

Marc Zwerling has agreed to become disciplinary chair, replacing Hendrik. I want to thank all three for taking over these positions. I will request official confirmation of these appointments at the annual meeting February 2018 in Vancouver.

The District 20 annual meeting will be held in February, at the Vancouver Hilton, with two days of board meetings on Friday and Saturday. These are open to all members. Please let business

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Sam Asai
D20 President

Strength in numbers

Two new tournament managers take over duties for planning, administering regionals

By Jen Smith
The Trumpet

Historically, one person takes over the responsibility of District 20 tournament manager. Judy Davis most recently held the title, but now she passes the baton to not one, but two new incumbents. So, why divide the role into two if one person held the title for so many years?

According to Davis, two highly qualified candidates emerged who were both eager to take on the responsibilities of this job. So rather than choose, the search committee decided to have the best of both worlds, and the district board agreed. "From my perspective, two TMs equal less stress, more fun," Davis says. "What's not positive about that?"

It was former tournament manager Marilyn Vilhauer, who held the job for 20 years until 2012, who came up with the idea of job sharing, outlining that each TM would have sole responsibility for two tournaments a year, allowing the other one the opportunity to actually play



Linda Redman and Jim Wheeler are taking over for Judy Davis as tournament manager for District 20.

bridge during the events when not in charge.

Get ready to meet your two new tournament managers and see what they



hope to accomplish for you and your fellow bridge players.

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Make plans for Oregon Trail Regional

Mark your calendars for the Oregon Trail Regional, Feb. 19–25. The tournament will be held in Vancouver, Wash., at the Hilton. The hotel is minutes away from the Amtrak station,

offers dining at Gray's at the Park, and is pet friendly.



Linda Redman
Tournament Manager

For the first time at this tournament, a teachers' accreditation course will be offered, taught by Denise Hoffman of Audrey Grant's Better Bridge. The fee is \$75 for District 20 members and \$120

for all others. Advance registration is required. If interested, please email Deborah Lackey at Deborah@deborah-lackey.com. (See page 13 for details.)

A directors' course taught by Rich Carle is also on the menu. The cost is \$50. To register, send a check, payable to District 20, to Lackey at 1138 43rd St., Washougal WA 98671.

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'It's great to be back'

Top player Meg Massie Myers returns to bridge with new perspective

By Chip Dombrowski
The Trumpet

Meg Massie Myers has been winning events in the Northwest since she began showing up at tournaments here 10 years ago, shortly before she moved to Portland from Charlottesville, Va., where her mother manages a bridge club.

Though she always did more of her playing elsewhere,

she played enough here for her absence to be noticed when she took a two-year leave from the game following the 2014 Fall NABC, amidst her divorce from tournament director McKenzie Myers.

She went from earning 150–175 masterpoints per year, including more of the platinum variety than most of us have, to earning under 20 in both 2015 and 2016, when she played al-

most exclusively online and occasionally at her mother's club on visits east. About a year ago, she ended her exile.

"I was so scared to come back to the table!" Meg says. "I was worried my game would be rusty – it was – but more than anything, I didn't know how I'd be received in the community again."

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Meg Massie Myers



Breaking news

Just before press time, we learned that Nelda Linman of Bend would be named Goodwill Member of the Year at the San Diego NABC.

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Remembering how much we didn't know

Learning how to play this game is so completely overwhelming. It's nice to spend time with beginners to realize that there is so much we take for granted as longtime players. Sure, some people out there go for the immersion program and accelerate quickly, but for most that's not really feasible.

When ACBL President Bob Heller visited Seaside, he stopped by Margi Redden's I/N party and spoke about the Stop card. I was looking at the faces go blank as he was explaining the card and why it was going away and interrupted to ask, "Do any of you know what any of this means?" They did not. But that's OK, they will learn. It's like little seeds getting scattered and no one knows they are there and growing until one day there is a beautiful Drury-knowing flower there. I tell people it's like you have to learn English all over again as it pertains to bridge.

Speaking of Margi Redden and her I/N parties — they are the best. She puts in so much effort into the food and drinks, and folks really seem to have a great time and connect with one another. She is so helpful with The Trumpet and player

roundup questions too. I enjoy reading her column. After I got the last one, I had to email her and ask if this stuff really happened. She said it most certainly did. Why it would be hard for me to believe is maybe a better question. I shared with her my most embarrassing Seaside disaster:

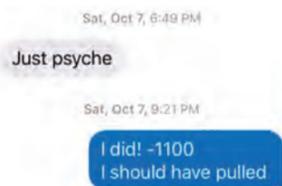


Amy Casanova
Managing Editor

The finals of a KO, we are down at the half, and they start a big club auction: 1♣ on my left, pass, 1♥ on my right. I am void in hearts with a six-card club suit. The heart bid was a transfer to spades, of which I have four, so I double for a heart lead. It goes 1♠ on my left, accepting spades. (Yay! Partner is on lead, and I will get my ruff.) Then my partner bids 2♥ (of course he does) and RHO doubles. I asked, and LHO said he wasn't quite sure. He could tell me away from the table but didn't want to give me wrong information. I should have bid 3♣ (duh) but I gambled that LHO would take it out and passed. All pass. Minus 1100. I think we only had a 10-card club fit.

The funny part is earlier in the evening I was texting my friend Joe, who asked if we were still in the event. I told him yes, and who we were playing. This was his re-

sponse, which I did not see until after we were done, and my reply:



My partner really took it in stride and is even going to play with me again. I am truly thankful for the game, my partners and teammates, and the opportunity to write about it and share triumphs and tragedies.

Sometimes I think about how interesting (amusing?) it would be to go back in time and watch myself as a beginning bridge player. I did not play a lot the first five years, maybe every couple of months.

My dad, who taught me to play, was incredibly patient. Sometimes we missed game despite having 30 high-card points. Often, though, we would bid too much. I still have that problem.

I like to consider myself an optimist, but from now on I won't leave partner to play in my void, especially when I've kind of let him believe it was my suit.

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Staff News

Flint writes bridge column for Mail Tribune

Trumpet copy editor Jim Flint has another gig — in Medford, writing a bridge column for the Mail Tribune daily newspaper.

The paper runs columns by syndicated bridge writer Phillip Alder six days a week. Flint is filling in the gap by contributing a Saturday column, which began Nov. 4.



Jim Flint

He also writes freelance news and features for the Rogue Valley's two daily newspapers, writes the Bidding Toolbox column for The Trumpet, and is a longtime duplicate bridge competitor.

The retired newspaper editor and publisher lives in Ashland.

Deaths

Ruby Bryson — 92, of Brookings OR died Oct. 8, 2017.

Wanda Burness — 77, of Longview WA died Aug. 25, 2017.

Ray Dickerson — 79, of Ontario OR died Oct. 16, 2017.

Sharon Faus — 70, of Central Point OR died Nov. 23, 2017.

Renee Gross — 92, of Seaside OR died Sept. 20, 2017.

Marvin Hamm — 72, of Encinitas CA died Oct. 24, 2017.

Carolyn Hodel — 79, of Chico CA died Oct. 20, 2017.

Marjorie Lockwood — 78, of Redding CA died July 27, 2017.

Patricia (Pat) Maddox — 86, of Redding CA died Aug. 27, 2017.

Jeanne Maloon — 86, of Redding CA died Sept. 19, 2017.

Rudolph (Rudy) Metzner — 81, of Camas WA died Sept. 5, 2017.

Ruth O'Connor — 88, of Klamath Falls OR died Aug. 5, 2017.

John Westine — 76, of Salem OR died Oct. 11, 2017.

The excitement double: Don't try this at home

Back when I was a C player, I invented a convention called the excitement double. It's hard to believe I haven't written about it yet after five years, but a quick archive search came up empty.

Like the striped-tail ape double, the excitement double is a penalty double of a contract that should make. The main difference is that a player making a striped-tail ape double knows what is going on and is hoping the opponents settle for the doubled contract rather than bidding to a higher-scoring contract. A player making an excitement double doesn't know what's going on and is hoping that neither do the opponents when it comes to playing the hand.

It's a gambling action made when you think there's been too much bidding. That usually turns out to be partially true: There *has* been too much bidding, but only by *our* side. You might believe you and your partner's combined hands are stronger than they are, and you might persuade the opponents to believe it too, but sadly that doesn't make it true.

Sometimes, believing it is enough. The opponents may misplay the hand, whether influenced by your overbidding and subsequent excitement double or not.

When the excitement double succeeds, it succeeds ridiculously. When it fails, it also fails ridiculously. Ridiculousness is somewhat inherent to the convention.

As I gained experience and hopefully improved judgment, and also found myself playing stronger competition more often, I

learned to avoid being quite so speculative in doubling — especially against expert opponents. So it's been a while since I've seen an excitement double.

That is, until a recent club game when it happened twice. Both times it was my partner who doubled, and I had weak hands. While I certainly knew how little I'd been bidding on and suspected the opponents might be making their bids, my choices were to pull the double and sacrifice at the six level or to leave it in and hope for the best. I guess you could say I made an excitement pass.

Here's the first one:

Dlr: East	♠10732	♠KQ85
Vul: None	♥KJ93	♥10876542
	♦KQ108	♦3
	♣A	♣Q
	♠—	♠KQ85
	♥Q	♥10876542
	♦976542	♦3
	♣K109754	♣Q
	♠AJ964	♠AJ964
	♥A	♥A
	♦AJ	♦AJ
	♣J8632	♣J8632

Chip	North	Partner	South
2NT	4♠	Pass	1♠
5♣	5♣	Pass	Pass
		Dbl	All Pass

Obviously, my passed-hand partner is unlikely to come up with three tricks, and I certainly don't have any. She likely thinks my 5♣ bid shows extra values rather than extra shape. I promised 5-5 but have 6-6, and I unilaterally sacrificed at the five level because I knew we weren't beating 4♠. That was a bad bid — it goes for 1100 — but the opponents have bailed me out. Even if they find the double-dummy play for making six, the score won't be worse, even with the double.

So I led the ♦7, and declarer made the mistake of winning with the ♦J, blocking the suit. Either throwing the ♦J under the king to take an immediate trump finesse or saving the ♦J as an entry to dummy after my partner gets her two spade tricks will result in 11 tricks, and Deep Finesse knows how to take 12. But with a crucial dummy entry squandered at trick 1, declarer was down one.

Ours was not the only table where this hand generated excitement. At another, my partner's hand went for 1400 in 4♥.

Later, at favorable vulnerability, I held:

♠Q6 ♥95 ♦K108542 ♣963

Chip	North	Partner	South
3♦ ⁽¹⁾	3♠	1♦	Pass
5♦	5♠	Dbl	4♠
			All Pass

1. Weak.

This time I knew partner wasn't counting on me for a trick. With the ♣AKQ and ♦A, it's understandable for partner to think she has three tricks, but East, with 5-5 in the majors and a singleton club, knew something we didn't.

When partner's second club failed to cash, it looked like this excitement double would even out what happened on the earlier one. But declarer, with a nine-card fit, cashed the ♠K and finessed a spade to dummy's ♠10 and my ♠Q. To be fair, I suppose I was bidding like someone with a stiff spade and my partner was bidding like someone with queen-third.

So for the second time that day, we made a bad double and got a top board for it. Not exactly good bridge, but there was certainly excitement.

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Chip Dombrowski
Editor at Large

In Memoriam

Marvin Hamm
Dec. 25, 1944 — Oct. 24, 2017

By Merlin Vilhauer

Marvin Hamm, a longtime Oregon bridge player and a computer scoring program pioneer, died Oct. 24 after a long illness at age 72. He lived in Portland until a few years ago when he moved to Encinitas, Calif.

I had a long association with Marvin. Together, we wrote the first scoring program

used by ACBL. Called Director, the program is listed in the "Encyclopedia of Bridge." Following is the entry, under ACBLscore, last paragraph:

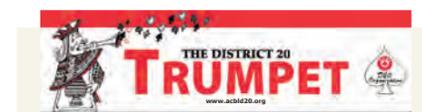
"ACBL Board Member Merlin Vilhauer of Beaverton OR and Marvin Hamm of Tualatin OR wrote the first bridge scoring program used by the ACBL. The program was called Director and was used by the ACBL from 1982 to 1991. Many of the commands used in ACBLscore are from Director."



Marvin Hamm

Marv and I started writing the program on a home computer he built in 1980. We got the idea after reading an article in the Bridge Bulletin. Marvin was a big part of this program. He was the main programmer. In addition to writing the program, we trained directors during the first year of its use.

RIP, Marv. You were the best.



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Teachers' Corner

Seagram, Hellers share ideas; courses at OTR

Noted bridge author Barbara Seagram taught a three-day seminar at the Eugene regional. This dynamic lady captivated her classes with her bridge wisdom and humor. She attended the Eugene teachers' breakfast and shared insights and ideas regarding teaching and growing games.

At the breakfast, Seagram shared that she has been successful in recruiting new bridge players by advertising a free bridge class in the local newspaper. She provides food and a fun environment, while teaching the students the bridge basics. The students are then hooked, she said, and are willing to return to pay for additional lessons she has scheduled for two weeks later.

She also shared some ideas regarding having special games to increase enthusiasm and attendance. One idea is to have a "Zero" game — where the players who have no zero boards on their scores at the end of the game get a prize.

Another is hosting a game series where the top player over a period of six weeks gets a prize. She suggested that the players have to have at least one game with a different partner to qualify for the win.

The ACBL allows extra masterpoints to be awarded in a series. Some prize ideas for these games

are lottery tickets, free plays and trophies from the dollar store.

ACBL President Bob Heller and his wife, Barbara Heller, vice chair of the board of governors, joined the Seaside teachers' breakfast. Bob told us how Bahar Gidwani, ACBL's new CEO, is looking at ways to attract and retain membership at clubs.

Some of the ideas that are being considered are updating the Teacher Accreditation Program, updating the ACBL teacher database so teachers can input their classes, and offering introductory one-month memberships to new players for \$7.

He and Barbara also listened attentively to the attendees sharing their ideas. Our group suggested that there needs to be a place where players who "age out" of the NLN events, but don't feel they can compete in an open event, can have a comfortable place to play. It was expressed that incentives to recruit new ACBL members don't work so well in small clubs (\$500 bonus for 100 new members). We asked that the ACBL consider reworking their recruiting incentives.

District 20 backs its teachers and education. The district will reimburse expenses up to \$100 for teaching beginner classes. Teachers can apply for up to two of these grants per year. Then

there also is the Learn Bridge in a Day multi-seat license. Contact me for more information on either.

Courses offered

Two courses will be offered during the Oregon Trail Regional. On Feb. 19-20, Audrey Grant's Better Bridge Teacher Accreditation course will be offered. Denise Hoffman, Better Bridge program director, will teach it. Graduates will be ACBL-accredited bridge teachers.

Prepare to become a club director or get an in-depth overview of the ACBL laws at the director course offered by Rich Carle the mornings of Feb. 21-22. A director's test will be given Feb. 23.

For more information on these two courses, see the ads on page 13 or the D20 website. You may also contact me for more information.

I have tendered my resignation as the district's education liaison, effective next October. It has been an amazingly fun experience for me. I have been honored to get to know so many awesome teachers and meet some inspiring people who love bridge and work to spread the joy.

A committee has been formed to search for my replacement. If you are interested in doing this job, please contact me. I would be happy to share more information about what I do.

Deborah Lackey can be reached at Deborah@DeborahLackey.com.



Deborah Lackey
D20 Education Liaison

Finance

District finishes year with deficit

Regionals income \$3K below budget

By Marie Ashton
Business Manager

The D20 tournament season is over for 2017 and it was a mixed bag. The Oregon Trail Regional was the only tournament with increased attendance over the prior year. However, I believe it is a successful year when most people have a good time. Didn't you enjoy yourselves? I certainly did.

Ups and downs in table count are expected, but our venues and tournaments remain quite special. All of them have nice playing spaces, great hospitality, supportive and experienced local committees, and mostly great rates.

Our district has tournaments in interesting and fun places. Medford, Eugene and Boise have lots to offer outside the playing areas. Vancouver is close to our largest population base. Seaside and Sunriver, of course, are tons of fun.

Total table count for 2017 was 5,843, resulting in net income from the tournaments

of \$43,257. This was short \$3,127 of the hoped-for budget. Table count budgeted for was 6,075; we missed that by 232. The tournament income goes to support other district programs and pay administrative expenses.

Our newspaper and online publication, The Trumpet, takes the largest chunk, about \$22,000. The intermediate/newcomer and education programs cost about \$9,000 per year. North American events, the pairs, and teams, cost about \$5,000-\$6,000 per year for travel expense subsidies. Administration, board meeting expenses, insurance, VIP, office and our website accounts for about \$21,000.

We have a deficit this year but are fortunate to have reserves to cover it. We own certificates of deposit of about \$150,000. There are other districts that are not this fiscally sound.

I appreciate all the help I received from our volunteer board of directors and finance committee during the year past. Along with the program directors, they all work very hard to make the district run smoothly and progress into the future.

Portland Winter Sectional

Jan. 26-28, 2018

FRIDAY, Jan. 26, 10:30 a.m.

Open Pairs, stratified, one session
Pairs, non-LM (0-500, stratified)
Pairs, novice (0-100, stratified, # of tables permitting)

FRIDAY, Jan. 26, 3:30 p.m.

Open Pairs, stratified, one session
Pairs, non-LM (0-500, stratified)
Pairs, novice (0-100, stratified, # of tables permitting)

SATURDAY, Jan. 27, 10:30 a.m.

Open Pairs, stratified, one session
Pairs, non-LM (0-500, stratified)
Pairs, novice (0-100, stratified, # of tables permitting)

SATURDAY, Jan. 27, 3:30 p.m.

Open Pairs, stratified, one session
Pairs, non-LM (0-500, stratified)
Pairs, novice (0-100, stratified, # of tables permitting)

SUNDAY, Jan. 28, 10:30 a.m., 2nd session TBA

Flight A/X Swiss Teams, VPs
(A=3000+, X=0-3000)
Bracketed 0-2000 Swiss Teams, VPs
Single session Swiss Teams (non-LM, 0-500) win/loss
Note: A team with any player over 2000 plays in Flight AX.
All strats determined by average MP's of team

Montgomery Park
2701 NW Vaughn St.
Portland, Ore. 97210
(I-405 to Hwy. 30W to Vaughn)
503-228-72759



All pair and team strats determined by average masterpoints of pair/team, but AX, BCD and non-LM masterpoints limits apply
All open pair strats:
A=2000+
B=750-2000
C=0-750

Please plan on eating out or bringing your own lunch.
No scents or perfume, please

FREE Coffee & Snacks

New players (0-5) play FREE!

Head Director: Jeff Jacob

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

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

\$10 per session. \$13 for unpaid and non-ACBL members. Sanction #S1801053
\$5 for students under age 26 with student I.D. (\$8 if nonmember)

Boise Sweetheart Sectional

February 9-11, 2018

Wyndham Garden Boise Airport
3300 Vista Ave., Boise, ID
Call Tamara Jabari at:
208-297-3361 (ask for Bridge room rate of \$85)

Friday, February 9

Stratified Open Pairs 12:30 & 6 p.m.
0-199ers (single session) 12:30 & 6 p.m.

Saturday, February 10

Stratified Open Pairs 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.
0-199ers (single session) 10 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Sunday, February 11

Stratified Swiss Teams 10 a.m. & TBA

Masterpoint Ranges

A = Unlimited B = 750-1500 C = 0-750
Stratification by team or pair average

Entry fees

Pairs games: \$10 per session for ACBL members
(\$13 for non-ACBL or unpaid members)
Swiss teams: \$120 per team includes lunch

Tournament chair: Leslie Muir, 208-401-4106, lamuir55@gmail.com

Partnerships chair: Craig Jones, 208-571-4514, idleaks@hotmail.com

Tournament director: John Gram

THE SECTIONAL SECTION

Winter sectionals

Vancouver NLM

The Vancouver Winter NLM Sectional will be held Jan. 13-14 at Vancouver (WA) Bridge Club. See ad page 18 for details.

Garden Isle

The Garden Isle Sectional will be held Jan. 26-28 at the Sun Village Recreation Center in Lihue HI. See ad page 15 for details.

Portland

The Portland Winter KO Sectional will be held Jan. 26-28 at Montgomery Park in Portland. See ad page 3 for details.

Boise

The Boise Sweetheart Sectional will be held Feb. 9-11 at the Wyndam Garden Hotel in Boise ID. See page 3 for details.

Maui

The Maui Snowbird Sectional will be held Feb. 9-11 at the Maui Bridge Club in Kihei HI. See ad page 16 for details.

Big Island

The Big Island Sectional will be held Feb. 23-25 at Mauna Lani Christian Academy in Kailua Kona HI. See ad page 16 for details.

Albany/Corvallis

The Heart of the Valley Sectional will be held March 16-18 at the Linn County Fair/Expo in Albany OR. See ad this page for details.

Chico

The Chico Sectional will be held March 16-18 at the Eagles Hall in Chico CA. See ad this page for details.

SECTIONAL RESULTS		
Vancouver Summer (227 tables)		
1	28.92	Lynne Schaeffer, Portland OR
2	28.77	Richard Soohoo, Vancouver WA
	28.77	Oris Mowry, Phoenix AZ
4	28.64	Connie Marfell, Milwaukie OR
5	20.50	Don Lowry, Wilsonville OR
6	19.82	Louis Beauchet, Sherwood OR
7	19.67	Hal Montgomery III, Portland OR
8	19.40	Richard Carle, Longview WA
9	17.05	Roger McNay, Beaverton OR
10	15.99	Robert Law, Tigard OR
	15.99	David Castles, Portland OR
12	15.82	Ethel Birnbach, Portland OR
13	14.44	Bruce Cuthbertson, Vancouver WA
14	13.65	Kate Montgomery, Portland OR
15	13.06	Isolde Knaap, Woodburn OR
16	11.70	Gerard Hallee, Hillsboro OR
17	11.55	Raj Garg, Portland OR
18	9.76	Kent Huang, Portland OR
	9.76	Edward Lee, Portland OR
20	9.42	Mariam Saner, Vancouver WA
21	9.00	Linda Wiener, Vancouver WA
	9.00	David Brower, Portland OR
Bend (140 tables)		
1	27.21	Randall Paul, Klamath Falls OR
	27.21	Bobby Thompson, Klamath Falls OR
3	22.11	Harvey Bush, Green Valley AZ
	22.11	Ed McClure, Klamath Falls OR
5	21.45	Patricia Massler, Redmond OR
	21.45	Donald Crozier, Bend OR
7	12.51	Joren Traveller, Bend OR
	12.51	Cam Meyer, Bend OR
9	11.02	Frank Murphy Jr., Bend OR
10	8.85	Laura Smith, Redmond OR
	8.85	Larry Smith, Redmond OR
12	8.62	Nelda Linman, Bend OR
	8.62	Dee Cockfield, Bend OR
14	8.51	Sue Tripp, Bend OR
Eureka (55 tables)		
1	11.22	Bob Wierman, Anderson CA
	11.22	Albert Wilson Jr., Brookings OR
3	9.77	Henri Farhi, Chula Vista CA
4	8.95	Suzanne Cook, McKinleyville CA
5	8.81	Kit Humphrey, Berkeley CA
6	7.99	John Hoffman, Mountain View CA
Boise (135 tables)		
1	19.08	Ian Martindale, Boise ID
	19.08	Charlene Martindale, Boise ID
3	18.33	Kathy Downen, Boise ID
	18.33	Charlotte Miller, Farmington Hills MI
5	13.84	Leon Smith, Salt Lake City UT
6	12.18	Max Thompson, Twin Falls ID
	12.18	Bob Donaldson, Ogden UT
8	11.64	K.C. Jones, Boise ID
9	11.26	Charles Abrams, Meridian ID
	11.26	Arlene Rueb, Meridian ID
11	11.09	Stephen Nafus, Boise ID
	11.09	Don Gile, Star ID
13	10.37	Dolores Echanis, Ontario OR
	10.37	Chester Youngblood, Ontario OR
Portland Fall (265 tables)		
1	38.43	John Lusky, Portland OR
2	35.68	Edward Lee, Portland OR
3	34.58	Dennis Metcalf, Vancouver WA
4	30.46	David Brower, Portland OR
5	25.83	Connie Marfell, Milwaukie OR
6	21.80	Lynne Schaeffer, Portland OR
7	21.61	Linda Wiener, Vancouver WA
8	21.02	Charles Swart, Portland OR
9	18.71	Lisa Fishman, Beaverton OR
10	16.45	Salena Johnson, Portland OR
11	16.42	James Elliott, Portland OR
12	15.40	Mark Tolliver, Portland OR
	15.40	Eric Stoltz, Portland OR
14	14.53	Kent Livingston, Vancouver WA
15	13.82	Amy Casanova, Portland OR
16	12.99	Jim Wisner, Portland OR
17	12.56	Alan Johnson, Happy Valley OR
18	12.18	Alan Stewart, Vancouver WA
19	12.13	John Ashton, Portland OR
	12.13	Hal Montgomery, Portland OR
21	12.08	Don Lowry, Wilsonville OR
22	11.64	Richard Soohoo, Vancouver WA
	11.64	Oris Mowry, Phoenix AZ
24	11.55	Michael Levy, Keizer OR
25	10.64	Nancy Swanson, Portland OR
	10.64	Gene Hval, Portland OR
Honolulu (109 tables)		
1	26.12	Mark Bennett, Honolulu HI
2	23.00	Iku Donnelly, Honolulu HI
3	22.25	Godfrey Chang, Honolulu HI
4	16.58	Alan Kosansky, Kailua HI
5	15.60	Everett Fukushima, Aiea HI
6	12.42	Thomas Lum, Honolulu HI
7	12.38	Margaret Cooling, Honolulu HI
8	12.29	Steven Johnson, Honolulu HI
9	11.58	Jean Choi, Honolulu HI
10	11.04	Howard Co, Honolulu HI
Nevada City (110 tables)		
1	22.91	Pam Moreland, Penn Valley CA
	22.91	Michael Moreland, Penn Valley CA
3	20.72	Steve Sellers, Eureka CA
	20.72	Garth Gregory, Chico CA
5	13.93	Bill Jones, Grass Valley CA
6	11.45	Jeff Gunn-Smith, Grass Valley CA
7	10.78	Judi Callahan, Fair Oaks CA
	10.78	Carrie Touslee, Roseville CA
9	10.47	Jan Soules, Elk Grove CA
	10.47	Gary Soules, Elk Grove CA
11	9.03	Ron Jauch, Nevada City CA
	9.03	Jamie Newman, Nevada City CA

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Ontario

The Ontario Sectional will be held March 23-25 at the Four Rivers Cultural Center in Ontario OR. See ad page 5 for details.

Medford

The Rogue Valley Spring Sectional will be held March 23-25 at the Dan Voorhies Bridge Center in Phoenix OR. See ad page 5 for details.

Almond Blossom 2018 Sectional

March 16-18, 2018

Unit #457

Eagles Hall, 1940 Mulberry, Chico, CA

Friday, March 16

10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions
Stratified 299ers, single sessions

Saturday, March 17

10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Stratified Open Pairs, double session
(Regionally-rated event)
Stratified single sessions
Stratified 299ers, single sessions

Sunday, March 18

10 a.m. and TBA

Stratified Swiss Teams
- 6 rounds/8 boards, out by 5:30 p.m.

Open Pairs stratifications

A=2000+

B=750-2000

C=0-750

(Stratifications may be
adjusted by the director)

Fees

\$10 per session; \$13 for un-
paid or non-ACBL members

Sandwiches and other
refreshments will be available
for purchase during the
Sunday intermission

Partnership Chair: **Sherri Faroky**, (530) 636-4940; sherroky@gmail.com.

Tournament Chair: **Doug Jacobs**, (530) 342-6144

Tournament Director: **Steve Kaessner**

Sanction No. S1803108

This is a zero-tolerance policy event

Unit 477

Heart of the
valley sectional

March 16-18, 2018

Linn County Fair & Expo Center

3700 Knox Butte Road NE, Albany, OR 97322

ACBL members: \$10 per player, per session • Non-
ACBL or unpaid members: \$13 per player, per session

Friday, March 16

10 a.m.*

Stratified Pairs

Strat A: 2000+ Strat B: 500-2000 Strat C: 0-500

(Strat determined by top player)

*These are separate events, not play-through

Saturday, March 17

10 a.m.

Stratified Pairs

Strat A: 2000+ Strat B: 500-2000 Strat C: 0-500

(Strat determined by top player)

Play-through for those playing both sessions

Novice (0-300 MP) games available at all sessions Friday and Saturday with enough participants.

Sunday, March 18

10 a.m. and TBA

Louise Wang two-session, stratified Swiss Teams

Tournament Coordinator: **Janie Peery**, 541-757-3221,

janiepeery@comcast.net

Partnership: **Beth Aronoff**, 541-745-7043,

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Director: **Michael Weber** - Sanction #S1803111

♥ We're back in the Expo Center main building (conference center)! ♥

The Bidding Toolbox

Responding to 1NT – part 3: At the three level

In the first two parts of this series of three we discussed four-suit transfers, super-accepts, and handling interrupting bids and doubles over partner's Stayman or Jacoby transfer bids. Opponents love to interrupt a notrump auction.

In this final installment, we'll look at responses to 1NT openings at the three level. There are different approaches. Talk to your partner and settle on a system you both like.



Jim Flint
The Bidding Toolkit

Two-suited hands
Some partnerships use three-level responses to indicate two-suited holdings as well as how strong the responder is. Here are some examples of what these bids mean after partner opens 1NT:

- 3♣ = 5-5 in the minors, weak.
- 3♦ = 5-5 in the minors, game force.
- 3♥ = 5-5 in the majors, invitational.
- 3♠ = 5-5 in the majors, game force.

If you are 5-5 in the minors with an invitational hand, you can go through Stayman first and then bid clubs again:

Opener	Responder
1NT	2♣
2♦/2♥/2♠	3♣ (1)

1. 5-5 in the minors, invitational.

One-suited hands

Other partnerships like to use three-level responses to show a shapely hand, with six or more of the suit bid. There are different approaches on what values such

a bid shows.

Some like to play that 3♣ and 3♦ are invitational with a six-card suit or longer, but 3♥ and 3♠ show slam interest with the same length.

Others like to play that all three-level bids show slam interest with six or more cards.

If you choose to play the minors as invitational, your partner can pass or bid 3NT. That's why it's important that you have at least two of the top three honors in your long minor. That helps your partner make the correct decision on what to bid.

With a minimum and only two of your suit, she will probably pass. But with a maximum and just two in your suit, if they're honors, she might bid 3NT, figuring the suit may come home for six tricks. Even with a minimum but with three in your suit, including one of the top three honors, she knows that there is a good play for 3NT.

Preemptive hands

Still other partnerships prefer to play that 3♣ or 3♦ are preemptive, and opener is requested to pass, which is not mandatory if opener has sufficient entry cards to the minor suit. Responder might have this kind of hand to bid the weak 3♣:

♠3 ♥Q5 ♦J98 ♣QJ108643

Why preempt when partner opens a strong notrump? One good reason is that the opponents might have a good major fit or even a double fit, and you don't want them to enter the bidding.

There are other three-level responses that are transfer bids in the minors or promise a three-suit hand or show shortness or have other meanings. You can in-

vestigate these systems at one of the bridge convention sites such as bridgeguys.com.

Remember: if you are in a notrump auction, don't let the opponents bully you by interrupting. And if the opponents are the ones who open 1NT, don't be afraid of interrupting. Your goal isn't always to get a plus score. Sometimes it's to get a better minus score — 2♠ off one not vulnerable for minus 50 versus 1NT making one for minus 90, for instance.

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Ask John

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outside strength if the bidder's intention is to confuse or deceive the opponents."

Despite the ACBL lucidity, I would consider the example hand, with nine virtually certain tricks in hearts to be worthy of a 2♣ opener. A problem might arise if partner has both a good hand and a poor sense of humor.

To cover myself, I would note on my convention card that 2♣ can show great strength or hands worth many tricks. I could imagine a problem if the ♥Q was the ♥6 and the ♦6 the ♦Q.

Questions for Ask John can be sent to trumpeteditor@gmail.com.

NEW ACBL MEMBERS

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| Richard Alexander, Portland OR | Duncan Frazer, Kapaa HI | Amelia Martin, Yreka CA |
| Sharlene Anastasia, Boise ID | Margaret Frazer, Kapaa HI | George Mayer-Oakes, Redding CA |
| Aleen Arbaugh, Eureka CA | Linda Gonzales, Truckee CA | Linda McCollum, Reedsport OR |
| Janet Baker, Portland OR | Karen Gowland, Boise ID | Kent McLaughlin, Ashland OR |
| Kelly Bass, Kula HI | Doris Guarrant, Graeagle CA | Nancy Meyers, Clio CA |
| Susan Bobowick, Portland OR | Lisa Halicki, Hammond OR | John Muno, Fortuna CA |
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| Jim Britton, Penn Valley CA | Diane Howard, Eugene OR | Ana Perez, Bend OR |
| Meda Brown, Honolulu HI | Floyd Howsden, Amity OR | Anne Ryan, Camas WA |
| Priscilla Buran, Bend OR | Mark Jackson, Salem OR | Nikolay Ryzhenko, Beaverton OR |
| George Burgott, Eugene OR | Veronica Kaufman, Truckee CA | Kathleen Schinkel, Honolulu HI |
| Susan Byrne, King City OR | Robert Kodzni, Eureka CA | Charlie Seagraves, Grants Pass OR |
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| Thomas Davis, Nevada City CA | Tyler Landau, Sherwood OR | Krista Stein, Truckee CA |
| Becky Dodini, Kaneohe HI | Barbara Lorentz, Redding CA | Joy Taylor, Portland OR |
| Cynthia Dulcich, Portland OR | Raul Lucero, Eugene OR | Raymond Teller, Bend OR |
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| Kate Farrell, Portland OR | | |

Welcome!

2018 Ontario Sectional

Four Rivers Cultural Center

676 SW 5th Ave., Ontario, Ore.
541-889-8191

Friday, March 23

Stratified Pairs 1 p.m.

Stratified Pairs 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 24

Stratified Pairs 10:30 a.m.

Stratified Pairs 4 p.m.

All Stratified Events: C = 0-500; B = 500-1500; A = 1500+
I/N games, attendance permitting: 0-299

Sunday, March 25

Swiss Teams 10:30 a.m.

Play-through, Stratified (average of team members), VPs

Luncheon served between sessions

Entry Fees:\$10 per session

Non & Unpaid ACBL Members: ...\$13 per session

Sunday Swiss Teams\$120/4-person team

Non-smoking tournament

Partnerships: Beth McDaniel, 208-739-3630, abmcd_@q.com;
or Jerry Henggeler, 208-739-3911, dauna@fmtc.com

Tournament chairperson: John Oglevie, 208-850-4132,
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Come join us for some good food, great hospitality and some fantastic bridge!

Sanction #1803087

Rogue Valley 2018 Spring Sectional

March 23-25, 2017
Phoenix, Ore.

4149 S. Pacific Highway, just south of Medford

How to get to the Dan Voorhies Bridge Center: From north or south, take exit 24 off I-5 near Medford, go west on Fern Valley Road, turn right at S. Pacific Hwy., go one block to bridge center on the right.

<p>Friday, March 23 (Single Sessions)</p> <p>299er Pairs (0 - 300) * 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.</p> <p>Stratified Open Pairs 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.</p> <p>Saturday, March 24 (single sessions available)</p> <p>299er Pairs (0 - 300) * 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.</p> <p>Stratified Open Pairs 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. (play through)</p> <p>Sunday, March 25</p> <p>Stratified Swiss Teams 10 a.m. and TBA</p> <p>Stratified by average masterpoints</p> <p>Subway sandwich lunch available</p> <p>* 299er games depend on player availability</p> <p>Great games for everyone!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 299er games • Open games • Swiss teams <p style="text-align: center;">~ Plus ~</p> <p>Early start times so you can dine out at leisure, see a play or concert, or paint the town! We've got it all!</p>	<p>There's SILVER in them thar hills!</p> <p>Need silver MPs? Come and get 'em!</p> <p>Director: Jeff Jacob</p> <p>Tournament and Partnerships Chair: Kathleen Moore, mtmeadows@gmail.com</p> <p>Lodging: America's Best Inns & Suites, Phoenix, Ore. — \$75. RV parking and hook-ups available. Call 541-535-4445, ask for bridge rates</p>
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Reception Friday!

The Dan Voorhies Bridge Center invites you to join them for refreshments after the second session Friday!

WINNERS AT THE OREGON COAST REGIONAL

Seaside Mon-Tues Knockout



Lou Arevalo, Bill McVaugh, David Lyons, Edward Carlson
They also won the Wednesday-Thursday KO Bracket 4.

Bracket 3

Monday, Oct. 2

Monday Evening Charity Game (108 pairs)

- 1A Mark Lair, Canyon TX; Rita Ellington, Charlotte NC
- 2A Irene Pickett, Portland OR; Dennis Metcalf, Vancouver WA
- 3A Kim Brinkman, Highland Village TX; David Ticen, Victoria TX
- 1B Burton Voorhees – Kinga Voorhees, Victoria BC
- 2B Marianne Daem, Nainaimo BC; Ben Sills, Powell River BC
- 3B Rick Gardner, Arch Cape OR; Douglas West, Ocean Park WA
- 1C Darrell Graham, Portland OR; Benjamin Levy, Vancouver WA
- 2C Peter Isard – Margaret Cooke, Washington DC
- 3C Gordon Sawyer, Seattle WA; Joanna Daam, Victoria BC

Monday Evening 299er Pairs (28 pairs)

- 1D/E Janet Meister, Bellevue WA; Karen Trenner, Kirkland WA
- 2D Frank Nemeth, Portland OR; Martha Maroney, Lake Oswego OR
- 3D Susan Breiddal – Gina Curran, Victoria BC
- 2-3E Susan Vollmer – Jo Ann Saucedo, Federal Way WA
- 2-3E Ron Hval, Clackamas OR; Jim Boylan, Salem OR
- 1-2F Ron Hval, Clackamas OR; Jim Boylan, Salem OR
- 1-2F Susan Vollmer – Jo Ann Saucedo, Federal Way WA
- 3F Stanley Slete, Auburn WA; Robin Farmer, Maple Valley WA

Monday Evening Charity Swiss (32 teams)

- 1A Judy Harris, Salmon Arm BC; Peter Herold, Nainaimo BC; Trudy Hurdle – John Hurdle, Richmond BC
- 2A Susan Stubinski – Bruce Wick, Houston TX; Belton Allen, La Mesa CA; Robin Rodger, San Diego CA
- 3-4A/1B Elinor Hood, Portland OR; Marla Patterson – David Fallen, Arlington WA; Larry Verrall, Mount Vernon WA
- 3-4A Jay Brandt – Gay Parrish, Bellingham WA; Sandra Robson, New Westminster BC; Gene Fomin, Glacier WA
- 2-3B/1C Joan Peterson – Gale Grop – Marjorie Sinel, Bellingham WA; Barry Heller, Burbank CA
- 2-3B Thomas Reis, Port Angeles WA; Tim Berta, Sequim WA; Bonnie Broders Eileen Deutsch, Port Townsend WA
- 2C Judith Smith – Gary Smith, Merced CA; Giff Kassebaum – James Kassebaum, Sonoita AZ
- 3-4C Gay Jungemann – Donna Gering – Lynn Morgan, Vashon WA; Judith Boardman, Vashon Island WA
- 3-4C Eleanor Scott-Kerr, Victoria BC; Ursula Pappas, Eureka MT; Beth Unger – Joanne Ruyle, Portland OR

Bracket 4



Bing Kibbey, Ralph Zack, Harriett Kessinger, Terry Nagel

Astoria Wed-Thurs Knockout



Jim Garnier, Lou Rene Legge, Debbie Martignago, Andy Hellquist

Bracket 5

Tuesday, Oct. 3

Seaside Monday-Tuesday KO Bracket 1 (12 teams)

- 1 Vinita Gupta, Woodside CA; Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV; Ron Smith, Chicago IL; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI
- 2 Carole Liss – Gene Simpson, San Rafael CA; Craig Robinson, Durham NC; Merlin Vilhauer, Beaverton OR; Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR; Michael Levy, Keizer OR
- 3-4 Joel Datloff, Vancouver WA; Roger McNay, Beaverton OR; Om Chokriwala, Sherman Oaks CA; Jon Bartlett, Portland OR
- 3-4 Ray Miller – Eric Sieg, Seattle WA; Polly Dunn – Patrick Dunn, Bellevue WA

Seaside Monday-Tuesday KO Bracket 2 (12 teams)

- 1 David Green, Sherwood OR; Dennis Balfie, University City MO; Edward Lee – Charles Swart, Portland OR
- 2 Gerald Leckie, Vancouver BC; June Keith, New Westminster BC; Isabel Chernoff – Yen Karro, Surrey BC
- 3-4 Allen Carter, Salem OR; Garry Skoropada, Maple Ridge BC; Dan Webster, Aldergrove BC; Donald Buchanan, Gold River CA
- 3-4 Cindy Moore – Lori Moore – Eunice Patton – Ann Schuyler, Bloomington IL; Mary Allen, Peoria IL

Seaside Monday-Tuesday KO Bracket 3 (12 teams)

- 1 Lou Arevalo – William McVaugh, Spokane WA; Edward Carlson – David Lyons, Coeur D'Alene ID
- 2 Rita Cannon, Ladysmith BC; Beth Cookson, Nainaimo BC; Dianna Rickson, Comox BC; Sharon Feduniak, Courtenay BC
- 3-4 Brian Thomas, Portland OR; Jim Windus, Vancouver WA; Gayle Tunnell – James Tunnell, San Francisco CA
- 3-4 Sally Lewis – Leslie Kelinson – Kathleen Holahan – JoAnn Marks, Portland OR

Seaside Monday-Tuesday KO Bracket 4 (13 teams)

- 1 Terry Nagel – Harriett Kessinger – Ralph Zack – Bing Kibbey, Eugene OR
- 2 Darlene Allen, Squamish BC; Denise Holst, Courtenay BC; Darrel Mooney – Linda Thomas, Boise ID
- 3-4 Mary Ferguson – Leanne Zaring – Lucie Fritz, Richland WA; Donna Parkes, Kennewick WA
- 3-4 Donald Hanset, Sandpoint ID; William Drayton, Naples ID; Karen Rise, Leavenworth WA; Nobu Morris, Wenatchee WA

Seaside Monday-Tuesday KO Bracket 5 (12 teams)

- 1 Wendy Sexton, Wilson WY; Alan Whitman, Okanagan Falls BC; Janet Mori, Penticton BC; Sharon Geese, Osoyoos BC
- 2 Jane Wagner – Roy Wagner, Nainaimo BC; Lorna Veitch, Qualicum Beach BC; Jacqueline Fennel, Parksville BC
- 3-4 Blythe Bartlett – Perry Cowgill, Vashon WA; Laurie Mazzuca, University Place WA; Marilyn Blitz, Palm Desert CA
- 3-4 Bruce Dudzik – Jim Adams, Richland WA; Richard Collingham – Tarene Collingham, Pasco WA

Tuesday Open Pairs (66 pairs)

- 1A Richard Carle, Longview WA; Barbara Heller, Knoxville TN
- 2A Mark Lair, Canyon TX; Rita Ellington, Charlotte NC
- 3A Jerry McVay, Lacey WA; Gregory Trautman, Olympia WA
- 1B Margaret Peterson, Larkspur CA; Dawn Campbell, Portland OR
- 2B Reidun Decker – John Swanson, Seattle WA
- 3B Cristina Gallotti – Lea Rogers, Spokane WA
- 1C Nancy Sjoblom, Tumwater WA; Thomas Kuehne, Berrmerton WA
- 2C Pete Grice – Robert Dutton, Boise ID
- 3C Susan Haas – Kenneth Murray, Redding CA

Tuesday Razor Clam Gold Pairs (78 pairs)

- 1C/D Frank Nemeth, Portland OR; Martha Maroney, Lake Oswego OR
- 2C Cynthia Palman – Judy Nevell, Eugene OR
- 3C Vicky Fine – Wendy Saville, Eugene OR
- 2D Betsy Brezel, Union WA; Todd Flowerday, Silverdale WA
- 3D Nancy Perkins – Carole Mathias, Goodyear AZ
- 1E Mary Stoa, Shoreline WA; Jan Fallen, Arlington WA
- 2E Jack Grasham – Debbie Grasham, Brookings OR
- 3E Al Stipe – Sue Stipe, Federal Way WA

Tuesday Morning Side Pairs (34 pairs)

- 1A Mary Ose, Sacramento CA; Teri Smoot, Placerville CA
- 2A/1B Eileen Boal, Albany OR; Eileen Milligan, Corvallis OR
- 3A/2B Susan Wheeler – Steve Wheeler, Castle Rock CO
- 3B Sandra Baker, Seaside OR; Denny Gibson, Bellingham WA
- 1C Myrna Cady, Great Falls MT; Nancy Semenza, Choteau MT

Bracket 6



Ruth Scott, Judy Lynch, Maria Declusin, Beth Howard

Lewis & Clark Thurs-Fri Knockout



Dennis Harms, Carol Harms, Chloe Jarvinen, Dennis Jarvinen

Bracket 2

Bracket 5



Tom Chambers, Nancy Remple, Becky Turnbull, Bill Moore

Sand Dollar Fri-Sat Knockout



Jim Wheeler, Bob Hornel, Ron Senn, Dwayne Brackhahn

Bracket 3

Bracket 4



Becky McKenzie, Sandy Syrett, Pat Moore, Eileen Boal

Bracket 5



Harriett Kessinger, Terry Nagel, Wendy Saville, Vicky Fine

Bracket 6



Sandra Lindstrom, David Lindstrom, Dan Edelstein, Janet Landesberg

- 2C Janet Fiero – Sally Wright, Missoula MT
- 3C Manny Suarez, Astoria OR; Jane Swynenburg, Cannon Beach OR

Tuesday Morning 299er Pairs (24 pairs)

- 1D/F Andrea Flynn, Ponderay ID; Ronald McMullen, Shoreline WA
- 2D/E Joanne Kerr, Kirkland WA; Charlotte Riviera, Bellevue WA
- 3D/E Patricia Robbins – Orrin Robbins, Olympia WA
- 2F Susan Vollmer – Jo Ann Saucedo, Federal Way WA
- 3F Vicki McCartha – Bill McCartha, Gramling SC

Tuesday Afternoon Side Pairs (48 pairs)

- 1A/B Bill McGeary – Sheryl Clough, Clinton WA
- 2A/B/1C Mike Ampsacher – Elsie Chan, Vancouver WA
- 3A Janie Pearcy – Kathleen Mather, Vancouver WA
- 3B Susan Wheeler – Steve Wheeler, Castle Rock CO
- 2C Ram Kashyap – Bernie Widloff, Portland OR
- 3C Janet Fiero – Sally Wright, Missoula MT

Tuesday Afternoon 299er Pairs (14 pairs)

- 1D/F Joan Sigler – Katharine Allen, Portland OR
- 2D/E Joanne Naughton – Chita Becker, Portland OR
- 3D/E/2F Andrea Flynn, Ponderay ID; Karen Stone, Portland OR
- 3F Jill E.J. Ferrier, Woodland WA; Dian Williams, Federal Way WA

Tuesday Afternoon 99er Pairs (18 pairs)

- 1G/H Marjorie Bathum – Polly Bonnell, Bellevue WA
- 2-3G Christopher Myers – Cindy Myers, Dallas OR
- 2-3G/2H/1I Stephen Jackson – Susan Jackson, Salem OR
- 3H/2I Martha Wolf – Jeannette Roberts, Lake Orange CO
- 3I Jim Boylan, Salem OR; Ron Hval, Clackamas OR

Tuesday Evening Side Pairs (37 pairs)

- 1A Paula Strand, Kirkland WA; Julian Dupuis, Kelso WA
- 2A Sharon Anderson – Roger Anderson, Eagan MN
- 3A Gustav Axen, New Westminster BC; Samuel Asai, Hood River OR
- 1B/C Helen Miller – John Penney, Lacey WA
- 2B Richard Axelson – Nancy Axelson, Ketchikan AK
- 3B/2C Benjamin Levy, Vancouver WA; Gene Hval, Portland OR
- 3C Sandra Straus, Newport OR; Therese Price, Toledo OR

Tuesday Evening 299er Pairs (19 pairs)

- 1D/F Kay Alsbaugh – Lindy Hamilton, Boise ID
- 2D/E Brenda Wilson, North Saanich BC; Mel Zimmerman, Victoria BC
- 3D/E Robert Giffin – Carolyn Giffin, Mill Creek WA
- 2F Ila Ehnas, Ladysmith BC; Shirley Ketch, Duncan BC
- 3F Susan Vollmer – Jo Ann Saucedo, Federal Way WA

Tuesday Evening Swiss (49 teams)

- 1A Robin Rodger, San Diego CA; Belton Allen, La Mesa CA; Susan Stubinski – Bruce Wick, Houston TX
- 2A Roger McNay, Beaverton OR; Om Chokriwala, Sherman Oaks CA; Jon Bartlett, Portland OR; Joel Datloff, Vancouver WA
- 3A Mariam Saner – Janie Pearcy – Kathleen Mather, Vancouver WA; Brenda Glaze, Anchorage AK
- 1B Bruce Boan – Peggy Boan, Mill Bay BC; Pete Marinus – Linda Marinus, Courtenay BC
- 2B Leda Fields – John Fields, Arroyo Grande CA; Carol Raimondo, Cayucos CA; Robert Crosby, San Mateo CA
- 3-4B/1-2C Christina Demas – Eileen Norris, Portland OR; Dwayne Brackhahn – Jackie Sanders, Beaverton OR
- 3-4B/1-2C Janice Nelsen, Puyallup WA; Maggie Burke – Ellen Kohjima – David Erickson, Tacoma WA
- 3C Lawrence Swanson, Livermore CA; Randy Naef – Ann Teal, McMinnville OR; Carol Hardwick, Portland OR

Wednesday, Oct. 4

Gearhart Tues-Wed KO Bracket 1 (15 teams)

- 1 Nanette Noland, Baton Rouge LA; Mike Passell, Plano TX; Brad Moss, Denver CO; Marc Jacobus – Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV
- 2 Martin Hirschman, Southfield MI; Lynne Schaeffer, Portland OR; Duncan Smith, Victoria BC; Connie Marfell, Milwaukie OR
- 3-4 Linda Lewis – Daniel Korbel, Las Vegas NV; Billy Cohen, Sherman Oaks CA; Huub Bertens, Bend OR
- 3-4 Debbie Benner – Arthur Crystal, Fairfield CT; Ishmael DelMonte – Curtis Cheek, Las Vegas NV

Gearhart Tues-Wed KO Bracket 2 (13 teams)

- 1 Dee Steil, New Westminster BC; Jane Fyfe – Ping Ding, Kamloops BC; James Lindemann, Spokane WA
- 2 Michael Hansen – Kathy Hansen, Vancouver WA; Paul Erikson – Ross Armour, Edmonton AB
- 3-4 Richard D'Litzenberger – Brian Koblenz, Leavenworth WA; Philip Duterme, Bellaire TX; John Cox, St. Maries ID
- 3-4 Marjorie Blunt, Federal Way WA; Susan Ohman, Graham WA; Barbara Kolppa, Puyallup WA; Sharon Gaunt, Tacoma WA

Gearhart Tues-Wed KO Bracket 3 (16 teams)

- 1 Edgar L'Heureux, White Rock BC; Sally Craig, Port Moody BC; Chuck Irwin, Surrey BC; Diane Griffiths, Langley BC
- 2 Bonnie Fortune, Newberg OR; Marta Cannell, Hood River OR; Ron Senn – Dena Senn, Beaverton OR
- 3-4 Tony Farr – Danielle Goulet – David Reid – Gail Richardson, Victoria BC
- 3-4 Douglas Jansen, Happy Valley OR; Mona Hubble, Spokane WA; David Binney, Seattle WA; James Sherman, Bellevue WA

Gearhart Tues-Wed KO Bracket 4 (16 teams)

- 1 Robert Richardson – Candace Allen, Clinton WA; Diane Felure, Seattle WA; Joel Castoriano, Mercer Island WA
- 2 Christopher Class, Sequim WA; Garry Lowe, Dallas OR; Ray Lowe – Jane Lowe, Astoria OR
- 3-4 Deborah Lackey, Washougal WA; Pauline Bullert – Gerald Brown, Vancouver WA; Cliff Allen III, Camas WA
- 3-4 Eileen Deutsch – Bonnie Broders, Port Townsend WA; Thomas Reis, Port Angeles WA; Tim Berta, Sequim WA

Gearhart Tues-Wed KO Bracket 5 (16 teams)

- 1 Donald Berry – Russell Page – Terry Foster, Victoria BC; Lorenzo Migliorini, Seattle WA
- 2 Leeanne Creech, Snoqualmie WA; Betty Williams, Bainbridge Isle WA; Marilyn Helbig, Bellevue WA; Dana Lawrence, Kirkland WA
- 3-4 Joann Okumura – Barbara Bolland – Susan Anderson – Marsha Clift, Salt Lake City UT
- 3-4 Judith Smith – Gary Smith, Merced CA; Giff Kassebaum – James Kassebaum, Sonoita AZ

Gearhart Tues-Wed KO Bracket 6 .. (16 teams)

- 1 Bill Moore, Lake Oswego OR; Pat Culpepper – Nancy Remple – Thomas Chambers, Portland OR
- 2 Carroll Vaughan – Russell Vaughan, Federal Way WA; Margol Tucci, Puyallup WA; Susan Tenborg, Graham WA
- 3-4 Constance Cleaton – Wendy Mednick – Dalice Bromfield, Portland OR; Kenneth Dunbar, Lake Oswego OR
- 3-4 Joel Speiser – Wendy Speiser, Delray Beach FL; Susan Carter, Portland OR; Barbara Pyles, Vancouver WA

Gearhart Tues-Wed KO Bracket 7 (14 teams)

- 1 Larry Holdren – Myrtis Holdren – Susan Servais, Bellevue WA; Sharon Riddle, Kirkland WA
- 2 Denise McElney, Gold Hill OR; Sharon Warren, Merlin OR; Asha Mhatre – Yesh Mhatre, Olympia WA
- 3-4 Lorraine Somerville – Tricia Flanagan – Pat Anderson – Mary Anne Crookes, Calgary AB
- 3-4 Kamlesh Batra – Shiv Batra – David Lindstrom – Sandra Lindstrom, Mercer Island WA

Wednesday Open Pairs (86 pairs)

- 1A Bjorgvin Kristinsson, Minneapolis MN; Linda Wiener, Vancouver WA
- 2A Tom Joyce, East Hartford CT; Rick Prouser, Portland OR
- 3A Eugene Chan, Richmond BC; Gary Tomczyk, Las Vegas NV
- 1B/C Dan Webster, Aldergrove BC; Sharon Horvath, Agassiz BC
- 2B James Darcy, Everett WA; Nelson Davis, Seattle WA
- 3B/2C Chris Cookson, Nainaimo BC; Charles Richmond, Portland OR
- 3C Kris Roberts, Payette ID; Judy Seward, Parma ID

Wednesday Coho Gold Pairs (98 pairs)

- 1-2C/1D/E Joanne Ruyle – Beth Unger, Portland OR
- 1-2C John Shribbs – Patricia Shribbs, Petaluma CA
- 3C/2D Dawn Guenther, Eugene OR; Kim Larson, Springfield OR
- 3D David Smith – Linda Smith, Corvallis OR
- 2E Brad Hanna – Jeannette Hanna, Clackamas OR
- 3E Brenda Wilson, North Saanich BC; Mel Zimmerman, Victoria BC

Wednesday Morning Side Pairs (36 pairs)

- 1A John Coone, Vernon BC; Gustav Axen, New Westminster BC
- 2A Gene Simpson – Carole Liss, San Rafael CA
- 3A Connie Marfell, Milwaukie OR; Daniel Hoekstra, Portland OR
- 1B James Fisk, Los Lunas NM; Orpha Sears, San Antonio TX
- 2B Robert Dutton – Pete Grice, Boise ID
- 3B/1C Mike Ampsacher – Elsie Chan, Vancouver WA
- 2C Salena Johnson – Margot Leonard, Portland OR
- 3C Manny Suarez, Astoria OR; Jane Swynenburg, Cannon Beach OR

Wednesday Morning 299er Pairs (30 pairs)

- 1D/E Richard Collingham – Tarene Collingham, Pasco WA
- 2D/E Joanne Kerr, Kirkland WA; Charlotte Riviera, Bellevue WA
- 3D/E/1F Marjorie Bathum – Polly Bonnell, Bellevue WA
- 2F Darel Hodgson – Janine Hodgson, Palo Alto CA
- 3F Joan Sigler – Katharine Allen, Portland OR

Wednesday Afternoon Side Pairs (56 pairs)

- 1A Merle Stetsger, Honolulu HI; Gene Hval, Portland OR
- 2A Dennis Harms – Carol Harms, Corvallis OR
- 3A John Coone, Vernon BC; Paul Harding, New Westminster BC
- 1B John White – Lynne White, Lincoln CA
- 2B/1C Cynthia Foote – Layne Benben, Portland OR
- 3B Bill McGeary – Sheryl Clough, Clinton WA
- 2C Ann Grill – George Grill, Vancouver WA
- 3C Maxine McComas – Duane McComas, Portland OR

Wednesday Afternoon 299er Pairs (22 pairs)

- 1D/E/F Verman Fowler Jr., Seaside OR; Cynthia Gould, Gearhart OR
- 2D/E/F Terrie Gaughran – Wayne Gaughran, Tacoma WA
- 3D/E Joanne Kerr, Kirkland WA; Charlotte Riviera, Bellevue WA
- 3F Ken Ramage – Kathi Downing, Blodgett OR

Wednesday Afternoon 99er Pairs (20 pairs)

- 1G Judy Fisher, Redmond WA; Barbara Baierle, Snohomish WA
- 2G/1H Marjorie Bathum – Polly Bonnell, Bellevue WA
- 3G/2H David Van Fleet, Ontario CA; Bryon Van Fleet, Corvallis OR
- 3H/1I Jeanette Roberts – Martha Wolf, Lake Oswego OR
- 2-3I Ron Hval, Clackamas OR; Jim Boylan, Salem OR
- 2-3I Stephen Jackson – Susan Jackson, Salem OR

Wednesday Evening Side Pairs (34 pairs)

- 1A Nina Lubick, Laguna Woods CA; Robert Bjorge, Bellingham WA
- 2A Jon Neimand, Eugene OR; James Smith, Mapleton OR
- 3A/1B/C Benjamin Levy, Vancouver WA; Gene Hval, Portland OR
- 2B Douglas Jansen, Happy Valley OR; Veronica Reeves, Tigard OR
- 3B/2C Thomas Scharf, Vancouver WA; John Penney, Lacey WA
- 3C Daniel Hendry – Sandra Hendry, Kennewick WA

Wednesday Evening 299er Pairs (21 pairs)

- 1D/F Patricia Shaddix – Karen McCarthy, Portland OR
- 2D/F Ila Ehnas, Ladysmith BC; Shirley Ketch, Duncan BC
- 3D/F Bryon Van Fleet, Corvallis OR; David Van Fleet, Ontario CA

Wednesday Evening Swiss (51 teams)

- 1A Robert Micone, Tustin CA; Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV; Brian Gilbert, Irvine CA; Dustin Stout, Huntington Beach CA
- 2A/1B Bert Adams – Carolyn Adams, Steilacoom WA; Paul Bartron, Tacoma WA; Martha Schwake, Hayden ID
- 3A Debbie Benner – Arthur Crystal, Fairfield CT; Curtis Cheek – Ishmael DelMonte, Las Vegas NV
- 2B Leda Fields – John Fields, Arroyo Grande CA; Carol Raimondo, Cayucos CA; Robert Crosby, San Mateo CA
- 3B/1C Eileen Norris – Christina Demas, Portland OR; Jackie Sanders – Dwayne Brackhahn, Beaverton OR
- 2C Wendy Mednick – Dalice Bromfield, Portland OR; David Wigoutoff, Astoria OR; Kenneth Dunbar, Lake Oswego OR
- 3C Ann Romeo – Leah Sieg, Seattle WA; Keith Hibbert – Jean-Philipp Weber, Victoria BC

Thursday, Oct. 5

Astoria Wed-Thurs KO Bracket 1 (16 teams)

- 1 Vinita Gupta, Woodside CA; Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV; Ron Smith, Chicago IL; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI
- 2 Connie Coquillette, Vancouver WA; Lisa Fishman, Beaverton OR; Edward Lee, Portland OR; David Green, Sherwood OR
- 3-4 Thomas Carmichael, Mill Creek WA; Jeff Roman, Bend OR; Michael Levy, Keizer OR; Dewitt (Hal) Montgomery III, Portland OR
- 3-4 John Lusky – Eric Stoltz – Marc Zwerling – Randy Pickett – Jim Elliott, Portland OR

Gearhart Tues-Wed Knockout



Bill Moore, Pat Culpepper, Nancy Remple, Tom Chambers

Bracket 6

Player roundup

By Amy Casanova
The Trumpet

At the Seaside Regional, we asked players this question: *What is your favorite bridge maxim or saying?* Here are their answers. I'll start with a few of mine.



Amy Casanova

♦ *Don't send a boy out to do a man's job. (Ruff high.)*
♦ *If you don't see it, don't lead it. (Avoid giving a ruff-and-sluff.)*
♦ *What do you call an eight-card suit? Trump.*

Amy Casanova

"Eight ever, nine never ... but beware."

Susan Carter
Portland OR



Susan Carter



Al Wilson

"Always treat your partner kindly. She's the only one at the table who wants you to win."

Al Wilson
Brookings OR

"When leading from dummy to your singleton king, lead an honor instead of a small one."

Jim Flint
Ashland OR



Jim Flint



Carolyn Adams

"All strange bids are forcing."

Carolyn Adams
Steilacoom WA

"She who knows, goes."

Linda Wiener
Vancouver WA

"Always treat everybody with respect."

Jim Smith
Mapleton OR



Linda Wiener



Janet Fiero

"There is a time and place to bid game in a minor, but it's not today."

Janet Fiero
Missoula MT

"When God deals you an A-K, lead it!"

Gary Tomczyk
Las Vegas NV

after partner failed to do so, costing a ruff and setting trick



Gary Tomczyk



Dave Brower

"It's not important to have the best agreement, it's important to have the same agreement."

Dave Brower
Portland OR

"Be good to your partner. If you can't be good, for God's sake be right."

Paul Obrien
Bellingham WA



Paul Obrien



District 20 bridge teachers gathered for breakfast Oct. 4 in Seaside, joined by ACBL President Bob Heller (obscured).

Astoria Wed-Thurs KO Bracket 2 (12 teams)

- 1 Bob Wierman, Anderson CA; Diane Caccamise, Coos Bay OR; Jon Stromquist - Harvey Bush, Green Valley AZ
- 2 Debbie Wastle, Victoria BC; Barbara Schultz, Shawanigan Lake BC; Anita Morse, North Vancouver BC; Katie Christie, Vernon BC
- 3-4 Suzanne Cook, McKinleyville CA; Pat Larin, Rancho Mirage CA; David White, Lancaster CA; Albert Wilson Jr., Brookings OR
- 3-4 Dennis Heller - Connie Heller, Clinton WA; John Weinberg - Sarah Weinberg, Mercer Island WA

Astoria Wed-Thurs KO Bracket 3 (12 teams)

- 1 Otis Leathers - Evie Leathers, McCleary WA; Karen Westerlund, Kirkland WA; Karen Vaillancourt, Kent WA
- 2 Jerold Wershba - Felicia Wershba, Portland OR; Shari Jerand, Tigard OR; Norma Bueno, Beaverton OR
- 3-4 Terry Nagel - Harriett Kessinger - Steven Pessin - Ginny Stark, Eugene OR
- 3-4 Brian Thomas - Judy Karush, Portland OR; Betty Apalategui, Hillsboro OR; Jim Windus, Vancouver WA

Astoria Wed-Thurs KO Bracket 4 (16 teams)

- 1 Lou Arevalo - William McVaugh, Spokane WA; Edward Carlson - David Lyons, Coeur D'Alene ID
- 2 Mary Alice Seville - Eileen Milligan, Corvallis OR; Lawrence Swanson, Livermore CA; Randy Naef, McMinnville OR
- 3-4 Cindy Amos - Marilyn Edwards - Kathryn Luft - Julia Christensen, Boise ID
- 3-4 Margaret Moen, Seattle WA; Vivian Camadonna, Mill Creek WA; Mary Wondra, Lopez WA; Marilyn Knippi, Delta BC

Astoria Wed-Thurs KO Bracket 5 (14 teams)

- 1 Andy Hellquist, Surrey BC; Debbie Martignago, Pitt Meadows BC; Lou Rene Legge, Pitt Meadows BC; Jim Garnier, Maple Ridge BC
- 2 John Underwood - Kris Gupta - Suman Gupta, Olympia WA; Fay Bronson, Tenino WA
- 3-4 Bill Russell - Larry Liewer, Scappoose OR; Dave Pinch - Marie Pinch, Lake Oswego WA
- 3-4 Mike Mills - Sally Lewis - JoAnn Marks - Kathleen Holahan, Portland OR

Astoria Wed-Thurs KO Bracket 6 (14 teams)

- 1 Judith Lynch - Ruth Scott, Omaha NE; Maria Declusin, Newport Beach CA; Beth Howard, Portland OR
- 2 Dan Branscum, Oak Harbor WA; Clare Bungay, University Place WA; Sharon Carpenter - Grant Deeger, Bellingham WA
- 3-4 Jack Smith, Chattaroy WA; B.J. Kolkman - Dottie Larson - Mark Mangiaracina, Spokane WA
- 3-4 Joan Peterson - Gale Gropp - Marjorie Sinel, Bellingham WA; Barry Heller, Burbank CA

Astoria Wed-Thurs KO Bracket 7 (15 teams)

- 1 Bruce Dudzik, Richland WA; Gordon Sawyer, Seattle WA; Tarene Collingham - Richard Collingham, Pasco WA

- 2 Wendy Sexton, Wilson WY; Alan Whitman, Okanogan Falls BC; Sharon Geese, Osoyoos BC; Janet Mori, Penticton BC
- 3-4 Allen Carter - Donald Pitt, Salem OR; Glenda Fleming, Albany OR; Jan Petroski, Woodburn OR
- 3-4 Patty Melody - Sally Alex, Spokane WA; Gayle Carlson, Liberty Lake WA; Rita Guzzard, Nine Mile Falls WA

Thursday Open Pairs (92 pairs)

- 1A Craig Robinson, Durham NC; Jeff Taylor, Eugene OR
- 2A Patti Hartley, Kenmore WA; Barbara Nist, Seatac WA
- 3A Rita Ellington, Charlotte NC; Mark Lair, Canyon TX
- 1B Gustav Axen, New Westminster BC; Lea Rogers, Spokane WA
- 2B Reidun Decker - John Swanson, Seattle WA
- 3B Paul Erikson - Ross Armour, Edmonton AB
- 1C Faye Gilraine - Gary Gilraine, Vancouver BC
- 2C Roger Thomas, West Linn OR; Jon Gassaway, Beaverton OR
- 3C David Wigutoff, Astoria OR; Sharon Crapko, Seaside OR

Thursday Chinook Gold Pairs (88 pairs)

- 1C/D Frank Nemeth, Portland OR; Martha Maroney, Lake Oswego OR
- 2C Shiv Batra - Kam Batra, Mercer Island WA
- 3C Susan Moran - Maureen Steele, Nanaimo BC
- 2D Susan Searis, Bellevue WA; Sharon Riddle, Kirkland WA
- 3D/1E Brenda Wilson, North Saanich BC; Mel Zimmerman, Victoria BC
- 2E Carol Schmid - Barbara Bloch, Lake Oswego OR
- 3E Darel Hodgson - Janine Hodgson, Palo Alto CA

Wednesday-Thursday Morning Swiss (16 teams)

- 1A Suzanne Boruta - Michael Boruta, Anacortes WA; Paul Harding, New Westminster BC; Gene Fomin, Glacier WA
- 2A Belton Allen, La Mesa CA; Robin Rodger, San Diego CA; Susan Stubinski - Bruce Wick, Houston TX
- 3A Lori Moore - Eunice Patton - Ann Schuyler, Bloomington IL; Mary Allen, Peoria IL
- 1B/C Donald Hansel, Sandpoint ID; William Drayton, Naples ID; Nobi Morris, Wenatchee WA; Karen Rise, Leavenworth WA
- 2B Darrel Davis, Covington WA; Miriam Goldberg, Seattle WA; Brian Brady, Eagle ID; Bruce Thornburgh, Boise ID; Allen Custer, Edmonds WA; Julian Dupuis, Kelso WA
- 3-4B Donald Berry - Russell Page - Terry Foster, Victoria BC; Lorenzo Migliorini, Seattle WA
- 3-4B/2C Perry Cowgill - Blythe Bartlett - John Dunn - Beth De Groen, Vashon WA
- 3C Ginny Kopacz, Portland OR; Terry Strand, Wilsonville OR; Katy Kane - Carolyn Malmquist, Palm Desert CA

Thursday Morning Side Pairs (46 pairs)

- 1A Connie Marfell, Milwaukie OR; Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA
- 2A Eric Swanson - Nona Dale, Golden CO
- 3-4A/1B Eva Johnson - John Ochsen, Colorado Springs CO
- 3-4A Gene Simpson - Carole Liss, San Rafael CA
- 2B Allan Karro - Yen Karro, Surrey BC

- 3B/1C Zack Woodbury, Portland OR; Judee Woodbury, Palm Desert CA
- 2C Kimberly Dauphin, Vancouver WA; Kevin Marell, Portland OR
- 3C Lou Arevalo, Spokane WA; Martha Schwake, Hayden ID

Thursday Morning 299er Pairs (31 pairs)

- 1D Tony Alberts - Richard Kennedy, Seattle WA
- 2D/1E Chita Becker - Joanne Naughton, Portland OR
- 3D/2E/1F Ken Ramage - Kathi Downing, Blodgett OR
- 3-4E/2-3F Mary Paynter, Des Moines WA; Patricia Kirkpatrick, Tacoma WA
- 3-4E/2-3F Ronald McMullen - Margaret McMullen, Shoreline WA

Thursday Afternoon Side Pairs (68 pairs)

- 1A/B/C Lynn Perey, Beaverton OR; Margaret Evenson, Portland OR
- 2A Suzanne Boruta - Michael Boruta, Anacortes WA
- 3A/2B/C Louis Golm - Linda Golm, San Francisco CA
- 3B Lynda Hirst, Vancouver WA; Margi Redden, Portland OR
- 3C Mike Ampsacher - Elsie Chan, Vancouver WA

Thursday Afternoon 299er Pairs (26 pairs)

- 1D/E Brad Hanna - Jeanette Hanna, Clackamas OR
- 2D/E/1F Nora Jackson, Palm Springs CA; Deborah Vivian, Surrey BC
- 3D/E Carolyn Malmquist - Katy Kane, Palm Desert CA
- 2F Susy Wagner - Patricia Jones, Portland OR
- 3F Marilyn Blitz, Palm Desert CA; Laurie Mazzuca, Univ. Place WA

Thursday Afternoon 99er Pairs (18 pairs)

- 1G/H/I Stacy Rutledge - Jody Bugg, Vancouver WA
- 2G/H Thomas Stanley, Astoria OR; Ruth Johnson, Warrenton OR
- 3G/H David Van Fleet, Ontario CA; Bryon Van Fleet, Corvallis OR
- 2I Deena Lindstedt, Cannon Beach OR; Fern Momyer, Portland OR

Thursday Evening Side Pairs (42 pairs)

- 1A Nina Lubick, Laguna Woods CA; Robert Borge, Bellingham WA
- 2A Victoria Sager, Univ. Place WA; Marjorie Blunt, Federal Way WA
- 3A Paul Harding, New Westminster BC; Paula Strand, Kirkland WA
- 1B/C Judee Woodbury, Palm Desert CA; Zack Woodbury, Portland OR
- 2B John Thomas, Eugene OR; Ann Stephens, Seattle WA
- 3B Richard Axelson - Nancy Axelson, Ketchikan AK
- 2C Dana Lawrence, Kirkland WA; Marilyn Helbig, Bellevue WA
- 3C Virginia Retford, Sagle ID; William Fry, Fairview OR

Thursday Evening 299er Pairs (19 pairs)

- 1D/E Vicky Howard - Elizabeth Burdick, Albany OR
- 2D/E/1F Susy Wagner - Patricia Jones, Portland OR
- 3D/E/2F Bryon Van Fleet, Corvallis OR; David Van Fleet, Ontario CA
- 3F Robin Dowd, Maple Valley WA; Stan Slete, Auburn WA

Thursday Evening Swiss (44 teams)

- 1A Thomas Carmichael, Mill Creek WA; Michael Levy, Keizer OR; Jeff Roman, Bend OR; Hal Montgomery, Portland OR
- 2A Brad Moss, Denver CO; Nannette Noland, Baton Rouge LA; Mike Passell, Plano TX; Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV
- 3-4A Craig Kavin, Oxnard CA; Ellen Anten, Encino CA; John Mohan, Las Vegas NV; Steve Gross, Westlake Village CA
- 3-4A/1B Margaret Moen, Seattle WA; Vivian Camadonna, Mill Creek WA; Mary Wondra, Lopez WA; Marilyn Knippi, Delta BC
- 2-3B Leda Fields - John Fields, Arroyo Grande CA; Carol Raimondo, Cayucos CA; Robert Crosby, San Mateo CA
- 2-3B Eileen Boal, Albany OR; Pat Moore - Linda Smith - David Smith, Corvallis OR
- 1C Patty Melody - Sally Alex, Spokane WA; Rita Guzzard, Nine Mile Falls WA; Gayle Carlson, Liberty Lake WA
- 2C Jeffrey Wiegel - Christy Wiegel - Susan Bradford, Dallas OR; Ellie Hall-Pitzer, Salem OR
- 3C Glenda Fleming, Albany OR; Donald Pitt, Salem OR; Jan Petroski, Woodburn OR; Larry Marshall, Cannon Beach OR

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Top masterpoint winners

Total masterpoints: 17751.92 earned by 1291 players. Total attendance: 2893 tables.

1	133.99	Mike Passell, Plano TX	59.03	Curtis Cheek, Las Vegas NV	59	52.18	Connie Coquillette, Vancouver WA	113	33.05	Dwayne Brackhahn, Beaverton OR	191	24.62	Bonnie Fortune, Newberg OR	...
	133.99	Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV	59.03	Arthur Crystal, Fairfield CT	60	51.88	Jon Bartlett, Portland OR	114	32.74	Jon Stromquist, Green Valley AZ	195	24.35	Pat Moore, Corvallis OR	254
3	133.18	Ron Smith, Chicago IL	57.42	Roger McNay, Beaverton OR	61	51.10	Eric Stoltz, Portland OR	116	32.74	Harvey Bush, Green Valley AZ	197	23.70	Kathy Downen, Boise ID	257
	133.18	Jacob Morgan, Madison WI	57.27	Steve Gross, Westlake Vlg CA	62	50.46	Duncan Smith, Victoria BC	121	31.34	Dawn Campbell, Portland OR	198	23.44	Michael Hansen, Vancouver WA	257
	133.18	Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV	57.27	Craig Kavin, Oxnard CA	63	49.64	Jerry McVay, Lacey WA	126	30.85	Suzanne St. Thomas, Boise ID	201	23.22	Kathy Hansen, Vancouver WA	262
6	127.55	Nanette Noland, Baton Rouge LA	57.11	Gustav Axen, New Westminster BC	64	48.79	Linda Wiener, Vancouver WA	129	30.58	Randy Naef, McMinnville OR	203	23.18	Mary Lou Moriarty, Portland OR	262
7	124.33	Brad Moss, Denver CO	56.72	Rick Prouser, Portland OR	65	46.91	Lisa Fishman, Beaverton OR	132	30.23	Mark Tolliver, Portland OR	207	22.90	Marc Franklin, Portland OR	267
8	120.30	Vinita Gupta, Woodside CA	56.72	Tom Joyce, East Hartford CT	66	46.52	Randy Pickett, Portland OR	137	30.08	Mark Tolliver, Portland OR	207	22.90	James Flint, Ashland OR	267
9	119.99	Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV	55.51	Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX	67	45.81	Christopher Gibson, Tigard OR	141	29.49	Dennis Harms, Corvallis OR	208	22.81	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
10	110.37	Michael Levy, Keizer OR	55.51	Dana Hastings, Baton Rouge LA	68	45.74	Hendrik Sharples, Brush Prairie WA	148	28.90	Carol Harms, Corvallis OR	209	22.78	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
11	109.10	Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR	55.51	Hal Montgomery, Portland OR	69	45.74	Gerry Marshall, Calgary AB	154	28.68	Becky McKenzie, Corvallis OR	213	22.54	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
12	92.19	Craig Robinson, Durham NC	55.06	Lynne Schaeffer, Portland OR	70	45.45	Bjorkvin Kristinsson, Minneapolis MN	155	28.53	James Wheeler, Ridgefield WA	218	22.39	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
13	88.50	Huub Bertens, Bend OR	55.06	Martin Hirschman, Southfield MI	71	44.54	Joel Datloff, Vancouver WA	161	27.83	Garry Lowe, Dallas OR	220	22.22	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
	88.50	Linda Lewis, Las Vegas NV	55.06	Om Chokriwala, Sherman Oaks CA	72	44.23	Polly Dunn, Bellevue WA	163	27.62	Robert Hormel, Lake Oswego OR	221	22.19	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
	88.50	Daniel Korbel, Las Vegas NV	54.91	Gene Simpson, San Rafael CA	73	43.13	John Ashton, Portland OR	166	26.95	Martha Maroney, Lake Oswego OR	234	21.38	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
	88.50	Billy Cohen, Sherman Oaks CA	54.91	Carole Liss, San Rafael CA	74	43.05	Lou Arevalo, Spokane WA	175	25.88	Frank Nemeth, Portland OR	235	21.37	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
17	87.82	Rita Ellington, Charlotte NC	54.91	Richard D'Litzenberger, Leavenworth WA	75	41.93	Eileen Boal, Albany OR	176	25.86	Brian Breckenridge, Corvallis OR	239	20.90	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
	87.82	Mark Lair, Canyon TX	54.91	Philip Duterme, Bellaire TX	76	41.51	John Lusky, Portland OR	177	25.79	Richard Garvin, Corvallis OR	240	20.85	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
19	67.31	Jeff Roman, Bend OR	54.91	John Cox, St. Maries ID	77	41.05	Ron Senn, Beaverton OR	181	25.53	William Moore, Lake Oswego OR	242	20.82	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
	67.31	Thomas Carmichael, Mill Creek WA	54.91	Brian Koblenz, Leavenworth WA	78	41.05	Diane Caccamise, Coos Bay OR	186	25.16	Thomas Chambers, Portland OR	245	20.79	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
21	66.76	Ray Miller, Seattle WA	54.91	Richard Carle, Longview WA	79	40.24	Irene Pickett, Portland OR	187	24.92	Molly Harris, Portland OR	249	20.56	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
22	65.09	Eric Sieg, Seattle WA	54.91	Dennis Metcalf, Vancouver WA	80	39.14	Bob Wierman, Anderson CA	191	24.62	Bonnie Fortune, Newberg OR	254	20.46	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
23	62.47	Edward Lee, Portland OR	54.91	Barbara Heller, Knoxville TN	81	39.14	Bob Wierman, Anderson CA	195	24.35	Pat Moore, Corvallis OR	254	20.46	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
	62.47	David Green, Sherwood OR	54.91	Marc Zwerling, Portland OR	82	38.90	Charles Swart, Portland OR	197	23.70	Kathy Downen, Boise ID	257	20.42	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
25	61.92	Connie Marfell, Milwaukie OR	54.91	Louis Beauchet, Sherwood OR	83	37.88	Duane Christensen, Boise ID	198	23.44	Michael Hansen, Vancouver WA	257	20.42	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
26	59.56	Merlin Vilhauer, Beaverton OR	54.91	Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV	84	37.88	Charles Swart, Portland OR	201	23.22	Mary Lou Moriarty, Portland OR	262	20.42	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
27	59.03	Ishmael DelMonte, Las Vegas NV	54.91	Robert Micone, Tustin CA	85	39.14	Irene Pickett, Portland OR	203	23.18	Marc Franklin, Portland OR	262	20.42	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
	59.03	Debbie Benner, Fairfield CT	54.91	Dustin Stout, Huntington Bch CA	86	38.90	Bob Wierman, Anderson CA	207	22.90	Lynda Hirst, Vancouver WA	268	19.95	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
	59.03	Debbie Benner, Fairfield CT	54.91	Brian Gilbert, Irvine CA	87	38.90	Bob Wierman, Anderson CA	209	22.78	Leslie Kelson, Portland OR	280	19.74	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
	59.03	Debbie Benner, Fairfield CT	54.91	Jim Elliott, Portland OR	88	37.88	Duane Christensen, Boise ID	212	22.77	Kathleen Holahan, Portland OR	284	19.57	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
	59.03	Debbie Benner, Fairfield CT	54.91	Jim Elliott, Portland OR	89	37.88	Duane Christensen, Boise ID	213	22.54	Leslie Kelson, Portland OR	284	19.57	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
	59.03	Debbie Benner, Fairfield CT	54.91	Jim Elliott, Portland OR	90	37.88	Duane Christensen, Boise ID	218	22.39	Stan Sather, Ridgefield WA	285	19.44	James Sather, Ashland OR	267
	59.03	Debbie Benner, Fairfield CT	54.91	Jim Elliott, Portland OR	91	37.88	Duane Christensen, Boise ID	220	22.22	Sandy Syrett, Gleneden Beach OR	288			

WINNERS AT THE OREGON COAST REGIONAL

Friday, Oct. 6

Lewis & Clark Thurs-Fri KO Bracket 1 (16 tables)

- 1 Linda Lewis - Daniel Korbel, Las Vegas NV; Billy Cohen, Sherman Oaks CA; **Huub Bertens, Bend OR**
- 2 John Cox, St. Maries ID; Philip Duterme, Bellaire TX; Richard D'Litzenberger - Brian Koblenz, Leavenworth WA
- 3-4 Debbie Benner - Arthur Crystal, Fairfield CT; Ishmael DelMonte - Curtis Cheek, Las Vegas NV
- 3-4 Pat McMullin - Nancy Boothe, Houston TX; Charlene Sands, Pflugerville TX; Karen Snyder, Spicewood TX

Lewis & Clark Thurs-Fri KO Bracket 2 (12 tables)

- 1 Dennis Harms - Carol Harms - Dick Jarvinen - Chloe Jarvinen, Corvallis OR
- 2 Thomas Goings, Colorado Springs CO; John Grossmann, Greeley CO; Marc Franklin - Mary Lou Moriarty, Portland OR
- 3-4 Ryley Breiddal, Vancouver BC; Peter Morse, North Vancouver BC; Nelson Davis, Seattle WA; James Darcy, Everett WA
- 3-4 Kathy Bergman - Maultin Mathias - Michael Olesen, Goodyear AZ; Ron Payton, Surprise AZ

Lewis & Clark Thurs-Fri KO Bracket 3 (15 tables)

- 1 Allen Custer, Edmonds WA; Joseph Ulrich, Arlington WA; Jean-Philipp Weber - Keith Hibbert, Victoria BC
- 2 Donald Berry - Russell Page - Terry Foster, Victoria BC; Lorenzo Migliorini, Seattle WA
- 3-4 Donald Robinson - Linda Brinton - Pete Grice - Bob Dutton, Boise ID
- 3-4 Tod Pontius - Kathleen Adams, Austin TX; Richard Leonardon, Santa Fe NM; Gordon Delf, Kelowna BC

Lewis & Clark Thurs-Fri KO Bracket 4 (13 tables)

- 1 John Dove Sr. - William Strite, Vancouver WA; Jo Ann Smith, Bothell WA; Kay Pankratz, La Center WA
- 2 Robert Richardson - Candace Allen - Patrick Johnson - Elizabeth Axford, Clinton WA
- 3-4 Donna Gering - Gay Jungemann, Vashon WA; Ellie Schwartz, Portland OR; Michael Sehestedt, Missoula MT
- 3-4 Helen Whatmough - Sharon Brodthun, Fountain Hills AZ; Carol Johns - Stephanie Haddy, Scottsdale AZ

Lewis & Clark Thurs-Fri KO Bracket 5 (16 tables)

- 1 Rebecca Turnbull, Springfield OR; Bill Moore, Lake Oswego OR; Nancy Remple - Thomas Chambers, Portland OR
- 2 Jane Wagner - Roy Wagner, Nanaimo BC; Lorna Veitch, Qualicum Beach BC; Jacqueline Fennellow, Parksville BC
- 3-4 Lorraine Somerville - Pat Anderson - Mary Anne Crookes - Tricia Flanagan, Calgary AB
- 3-4 Mary Meadows, Sterling VA; Genevieve Wilson - Debbie Grasham - Jack Grasham, Brookings OR

Friday Open Pairs (75 pairs)

- 1A **Bill Hardy, Beaverton OR; Louis Beauchet, Sherwood OR**
- 2A Hendrik Sharples, Brush Prairie WA; Gerry Marshall, Calgary AB
- 3A Valerie McVay - Jerry McVay, Lacey WA
- 1B Gustav Axen, New Westminster BC; Lea Rogers, Spokane WA
- 2B/1C Dan Webster, Aldergrove BC; Denny Gibson, Bellingham WA
- 3B/2C Deborah Lackey, Washougal WA; Pauline Bullert, Vancouver WA
- 3C Burton Voorhees - Kinga Voorhees, Victoria BC

Friday Oyster Gold Pairs (66 pairs)

- 1C Eve Jensen, Abbotsford BC; Lois Mazuren, Chilliwack BC
- 2C/1D **Donald Pitt, Salem OR; Glenda Fleming, Albany OR**
- 3C Susan Moran - Maureen Steele, Nanaimo BC
- 2D/1E **Judith McMakin, Palm Desert CA; Gina Swenson, Bandon OR**
- 3D/2E Linda Marshall, Aldergrove BC; Luanne Stoltz, Portland OR
- 3E Edwin Van Dam, Portland OR; Edward Celnicker, Milwaukie OR

Friday Morning Side Pairs (38 pairs)

- 1A John Coone, Vernon BC; Paul Harding, New Westminster BC
- 2A Bruce Brownfield, Graham WA; Ann Schuyler, Bloomington IL
- 3A Garry Skoropada, Maple Ridge BC; Lois Mazuren, Chilliwack BC
- 1B William Bergh, Tenino WA; William Julius, Olympia WA
- 2B/1C **Michael Claassen, Bandon OR; Skip Weiss, Florence OR**
- 3B Bill McGeary - Sheryl Clough, Clinton WA
- 2C Eileen Boal, Albany OR; Sandy Syrett, Glededen Beach OR
- 3C Mike Ampsacher - Elsie Chan, Vancouver WA

Friday Morning 299er Pairs (22 pairs)

- 1D/F **John Seibert, Portland OR; Wendy Allen, Ferndale WA**
- 2D/E Patricia Robbins - Orrin Robbins, Olympia WA
- 3D/E Fran Allen - Toni Albano, Portland OR
- 2F Matt Liberty - Spring Liberty, Lake Oswego OR
- 3F Maryann Wood, Portland OR; Dennie Scharer, Scottsdale AZ

Friday Afternoon Side Pairs (68 pairs)

- 1A Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL; Judy Hyde, Los Angeles CA
- 2A/1B **Paul Reeves - Veronica Reeves, Tigard OR**
- 3A/2B/1C **Mike Ampsacher - Elsie Chan, Vancouver WA**
- 3B Monica Taylor - Lewis Richardson Jr., Astoria OR
- 2C Shari Jerand, Tigard OR; Norma Bueno, Beaverton OR
- 3C Lou Arevalo, Spokane WA; Martha Schwake, Hayden ID

Friday Afternoon 299er Pairs (18 pairs)

- 1D/E Dianna Gilbreath, Maple Ridge BC; Sharon Horvath, Agassiz BC
- 2D/E/1F Marilyn Blitz, Palm Desert CA; Laurie Mazzuca, Univ. Place WA
- 3-4D Andrew Link - Bonny Link, Beaverton OR
- 3-4D/3E Irv Roller - Joani Roller, Wenatchee WA
- 2F Jeannie Falls - Bruce Baker-Harvey, Seattle WA
- 3F Terrie Gaughran - Wayne Gaughran, Tacoma WA

Friday Afternoon 99er Pairs (14 pairs)

- 1G/H **Margaret Matin, Portland OR; Susan Byrne, King City OR**
- 2G/H Illona Wilken - Mary Hansen, Eugene OR
- 3G/H Jean-Pierre Perchellet - Elisabeth Perchellet, Salem OR
- 1I **Jane Mannex, Astoria OR; Nancy Hornshuh, Cannon Beach OR**
- 2I Sally Lynum-Lee, Port Townsend WA; Ginny Barklow, Sequim WA
- 3I Matt Liberty - Spring Liberty, Lake Oswego OR

Friday Evening Side Pairs (42 pairs)

- 1A Gerald Leckie, Vancouver BC; June Keith, New Westminster BC
- 2A/1B **Rick Gardner, Arch Cape OR; Douglas West, Ocean Park WA**
- 3A Barbara Schultz, Shawnigan Lake BC; Chris Cookson, Nanaimo BC
- 2B Thomas Scharf, Vancouver WA; Gene Hval, Portland OR
- 3B Marianne Daem, Nanaimo BC; Ben Sills, Powell River BC
- 1-2C **Marvin Rosen - Cheryn Grant, Portland OR**
- 1-2C Jeannie Falls - Bruce Baker-Harvey, Seattle WA
- 3C Joan Peterson - Gale Gropp, Bellingham WA

Friday Evening 299er Pairs (18 pairs)

- 1D/E Sharon Horvath, Agassiz BC; Dianna Gilbreath, Maple Ridge BC
- 2D/E/1F **Margaret Matin, Portland OR; Susan Byrne, King City OR**
- 3D/E/2F Donald McConnell - Patt McConnell, Portland OR
- 3F Terrie Gaughran - Wayne Gaughran, Tacoma WA

Friday Evening Swiss (45 teams)

- 1A Roger McNay, Beaverton OR; Robert Johnson, Tigard OR; **Jon Bartlett, Portland OR; Brian Breckenridge, Corvallis OR**
- 2A Jay Brandt - Gay Parrish, Bellingham WA; Trudy Hurdle - John Hurdle, Richmond BC
- 3-4A Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL; Judy Hyde, Los Angeles CA; Ray Miller - David Taylor, Seattle WA
- 3-4A/1B Paul Evanoff, Kent WA; Leigh Castoldi, Renton WA; **Wende Keirse, Ridgefield WA; Linda Yount, Federal Way WA**
- 2B Lou Arevalo - William McVaugh, Spokane WA; David Lyons - Edward Carlson, Coeur D'Alene ID
- 3B Mariam Sauer, Vancouver WA; Rita Docken, La Quinta CA; Richard Morris - Katherine Morris, Beaverton OR
- 1C **Bob Frank, Eugene OR; Sandra Wilson, Beaverton OR; Maureen Fennerty - Judith Wilkinson, Portland OR**
- 2C Mary Anne Crookes - Tricia Flanagan - Pat Anderson - Lorraine Somerville, Calgary AB
- 3C Toni McLeod - Janis Trussell - William Watkins - Rita Fontaine, Longview WA

Saturday, Oct. 7

Sand Dollar Fri-Sat KO Bracket 1 (16 teams)

- 1 Nanette Noland, Baton Rouge LA; Mike Passell, Plano TX; Marc Jacobus - Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; Brad Moss, Denver CO
- 2 Robert Micone, Tustin CA; Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV; Brian Gilbert, Irvine CA; Dustin Stout, Huntington Beach CA
- 3-4 Jeff Taylor, Eugene OR; Craig Robinson, Durham NC; Mike Levy, Keizer OR; Merlin Vilhauer, Beaverton OR; Stan Sather, Ridgefield WA
- 3-4 John Ashton - John Lusky - Randy Pickett, Portland OR; Dennis Metcalf, Vancouver WA

Sand Dollar Fri-Sat KO Bracket 2 (14 teams)

- 1 **Christopher Gibson, Tigard OR; Kim Eng, Issaquah WA; Jeffrey Ford, Redmond WA; Eric Sieg, Seattle WA**
- 2 Amy Casanova - Dawn Campbell, Portland OR; James Flint, Ashland OR; Om Chokriwala, Sherman Oaks CA
- 3-4 Molly Harris, Portland OR; Sandra Robson, New Westminster BC; Allan Selberg, Albany OR; Richard Garvin, Corvallis OR
- 3-4 Michael Moffatt - Vicki Moffatt - Isabel Chernoff - Jane Youngberg, Surrey BC

Sand Dollar Fri-Sat KO Bracket 3 (15 teams)

- 1 **James Wheeler, Ridgefield WA; Robert Hormel, Lake Oswego OR; Ron Senn - Dwayne Brackhahn, Beaverton OR**
- 2 William Drake, Minnetonka MN; Mary Johnson - Marv Riedesel, Prior Lake MN; John Crouch, Minneapolis MN
- 3-4 Art Silvas - Lee Silvas, Renton WA; Dennis Balfe, University City MO; Charles Swart, Portland OR
- 3-4 Mary Hovda, Sandy OR; Mary O'Shea - JoAnn Marks, Portland OR; Barbara DiCicco, Burke VA

Sand Dollar Fri-Sat KO Bracket 4 (16 teams)

- 1 **Eileen Boal, Albany OR; Becky McKenzie - Pat Moore, Corvallis OR; Sandy Syrett, Glededen Beach OR**
- 2 Thomas Reis, Port Angeles WA; Tim Berta, Sequim WA; Bonnie Broders - Eileen Deutsch, Port Townsend WA
- 3-4 Jerold Wershba - Felicia Wershba - Bryce McMurdo, Portland OR; David Doerner, Beaverton OR
- 3-4 Alan Stewart - Kent Livingston, Vancouver WA; Mike Mills - Kathleen Holahan, Portland OR

Sand Dollar Fri-Sat KO Bracket 5 (14 teams)

- 1 **Terry Nagel - Harriett Kessinger - Vicky Fine - Wendy Saville, Eugene OR**
- 2 William Rylander, Tigard OR; Gary Johnson - Carol Johnson, Beaverton OR; Deborah Cosier, Wilsonville OR
- 3-4 Susie Ball, Yakima WA; James Dukelow Jr., Benton City WA; Ronald Mundt - Judy Mundt, Sunriver OR
- 3-4 Fred Sutherland - Kathryn Sutherland - Joan Borberg, Portland OR; Ginny Gainer, Port OR

Sand Dollar Fri-Sat KO Bracket 6 (16 teams)

- 1 **Janet Landesberg - Dan Edelstein, Vancouver WA; David Lindstrom - Sandra Lindstrom, Mercer Island WA**
- 2 Wendy Sexton, Wilson WY; Alan Whitman, Okanagan Falls BC; Sharon Gece, Osoyoos BC; Jan Mori, Penticton BC
- 3-4 Joanna Daam, Victoria BC; Mark Boucher, Centennial CO; Mark Hatten - Marlene Manion, Bonners Ferry ID
- 3-4 Larry Holdren - Myrtil Holdren - Bob Shelley - Carol Shelley, Bellevue WA

Saturday Open Pairs (76 pairs)

- 1A Craig Kavin, Oxnard CA; Steve Gross, Westlake Village CA
- 2A Ray Miller, Seattle WA; Ken Scholes, Bellevue WA
- 3A Thomas Carmichael, Mill Creek WA; Jeff Roman, Bend OR
- 1B John Swanson - Reidun Decker, Seattle WA
- 2B/1C **Yiping Wang, Beaverton OR; Jeff Howell, Corvallis OR**
- 2C Michael Boreson, Kalspell MT; Linda Brown, Missoula MT
- 3C Gary Gilraine - Faye Gilraine, Vancouver BC

Saturday Steelhead Gold Pairs (52 pairs)

- 1C Marjorie Mandery - Roger Mandery, Mount Vernon WA
- 2C Jerome Gordon - Donald Pitt, Salem OR
- 3C/1D **Joan Peres, Portland OR; Janet Clemmons, Hillsboro OR**
- 2D Zack Woodbury, Portland OR; Judee Woodbury, Palm Desert CA
- 3D Joan Eck - Theresa Eck, Seattle WA
- 1E **Mike Goffe, Portland OR; Ryan Porter, Beaverton OR**
- 2E Linda Rountree - Richard Rountree, Lake Oswego OR
- 3E Patricia Robbins - Orrin Robbins, Olympia WA

Friday-Saturday Morning Swiss (18 teams)

- 1A Gene Simpson - Carole Liss, San Rafael CA; **Mike Levy, Keizer OR; Jean Barry, Livermore CA**
- 2A Marla Patterson - David Fallen, Arlington WA; Suzanne Boruta - Michael Boruta, Anacortes WA
- 3A Frances Schenk, Denham Springs LA; Sally Gerhold - Margaret Hart, Baton Rouge LA; Howard Parker, Clements CA
- 1B Teri Smoot, Placerville CA; Mary Ose, Sacramento CA; Jan Mori, Penticton BC; Sharon Gece, Osoyoos BC

Saturday Jellyfish Compact Knockout



Ron Payton, Michael Olesen, Kathy Bergman, Mault Mathias

- 2B/1C Darlene Allen, Squamish BC; Denise Holst, Courtenay BC; **Darrel Mooney - Linda Thomas, Boise ID**
- 3B/2C Nancy Swanson - Margaret Evenson - Betsy McCormick - Barbara Ball, Portland OR
- 3C Don Hanset, Sandpoint ID; Bill Drayton, Naples ID; Nobi Morris, Wenatchee WA; Karen Rise, Leavenworth WA

Saturday Jellyfish Compact KO Bracket 1 . . (12 teams)

- 1 **Eric Stoltz - Mark Tolliver - Marc Zwerling - Jim Elliott, Portland OR**
- 2 Duane Christensen - Carol Christensen - Kathy Downen - Suzanne St. Thomas, Boise ID
- 3 Roger McNay, Beaverton OR; Robert Johnson, Tigard OR; Jon Bartlett, Portland OR; Iva Neyhart, Corvallis OR

Saturday Jellyfish Compact KO Bracket 2 . . (12 teams)

- 1 **James Smith, Mapleton OR; Jon Neimand, Eugene OR; Garry Lowe, Dallas OR; Frances Gates, Waldport OR**
- 2 Suzanne Cook, McKinleyville CA; Albert Wilson Jr., Brookings OR; Pat Larin, Rancho Mirage CA; David White, Lancaster CA
- 3 Thomas Goings, Colorado Springs CO; John Grossmann, Greeley CO; Marc Franklin - Mary Lou Moriarty, Portland OR

Saturday Jellyfish Compact KO Bracket 3 . . (16 teams)

- 1 Kathy Bergman - Maultin Mathias - Michael Olesen, Goodyear AZ; Ron Payton, Surprise AZ
- 2 David Reid - Gail Richardson - Marnie Hueston, Victoria BC; Shirley Charters, Duncan BC
- 3 Lynda Hirst, Vancouver WA; Douglas Jansen, Happy Valley OR; Frank Straulemann, Portland OR; Bruce Peterson, Aloha OR

Saturday Jellyfish Compact KO Bracket 4 . . (16 teams)

- 1 **Edward Celnicker - Sylvia Riewerts, Milwaukie OR; Edwin Van Dam - Margi Redden, Portland OR**
- 2 Leeanne Creech, Snoqualmie WA; Betty Williams, Bainbridge Isle WA; Marilyn Helbig, Bellevue WA; Dana Lawrence, Kirkland WA
- 3 Andy Hellquist, Surrey BC; Debbie Martignago, Pitt Meadows BC; Lou Rene Legge, Pitt Meadows BC; Jim Garnier, Maple Ridge BC

Saturday Jellyfish Compact KO Bracket 5 . . (16 teams)

- 1 Dan Branscum, Oak Harbor WA; Clare Bungay, University Place WA; Grant Degeer - Sharon Carpenter, Bellingham WA
- 2 John Curtis - Manny Suarez - Jane Lowe, Astoria OR; Jan Petroski, Woodburn OR
- 3 Linda Thomas - Darrel Mooney, Boise ID; Denise Holst, Courtenay BC; Darlene Allen, Squamish BC

Saturday Morning Side Pairs (34 pairs)

- 1A John Coone, Vernon BC; Paul Harding, New Westminster BC
- 2A David Ticen, Victoria TX; Kim Brinkman, Highland Village TX
- 3A/1B/C Eva Johnson - John Ochsner, Colorado Springs CO
- 2B/C Bill McGeary - Sheryl Clough, Clinton WA
- 3B/C Michael Claassen, Bandon OR; Skip Weiss, Florence OR

Saturday Morning 299er Pairs (22 pairs)

- 1D/F **Patt McConnell - Donald McConnell, Portland OR**
- 2D Maureen Fennerty - Judith Wilkinson, Portland OR
- 3D/2E/F Viola Wax - Paula Koeller, Portland OR
- 3E/F Janice Fallen, Arlington WA; Mary Stoa, Shoreline WA

Saturday Afternoon Side Pairs (40 pairs)

- 1A Mark Itabashi, Murrieta CA; Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ
- 2A Nancy Boothe - Pat McMullin, Houston TX
- 3A Christopher Cowan - Debbie Feldman, Oakville ON
- 1B John Penney - Helen Miller, Lacey WA
- 2B Burton Voorhees - Kinga Voorhees, Victoria BC
- 3B Frank Larson - Richard Gettmann, Bend OR
- 1C Jack Hawks, Walnut Creek CA; Cyndi Sauvage, Englewood CO
- 2C Cheryn Grant - Marvin Rosen, Portland OR

Saturday Afternoon 299er Pairs (16 pairs)

- 1D/E **Ricardo Berdichevsky - Fran Allen, Portland OR**
- 2D/E Jacqueline Fennellow, Parksville BC; Lorna Veitch, Qualicum Beach BC
- 3D/E/1F Terrie Gaughran - Wayne Gaughran, Tacoma WA
- 2F Dee Poujade - Kay Ward, Portland OR
- 3F Dennie Scharer, Scottsdale AZ; Maryann Wood, Portland OR

Saturday Afternoon 99er Pairs (14 pairs)

- 1-2G/H/I **Jody Bugg - Stacy Rutledge, Vancouver WA**
- 1-2G/H Wendy Alex, Ferndale WA; Carie Boucher, Centennial CO
- 3G/H Roseanna Gordon, Salem OR; Kathy Hafdahl, Keizer OR
- 2I Daniel Evans, St. George UT; Joe Harjung, Portland OR

Saturday Evening Side Game (28 pairs)

- 1A/B Barbara Jones - Thomas Jones, Canyon Country CA
- 2A Sandra Robson, New Westminster BC; Molly Harris, Portland OR
- 3A/2B/1C **Thomas Scharf, Vancouver WA; Michael Sehestedt, Missoula MT**
- 3B Joan Stark - Edward Stark, Happy Valley OR
- 2C Bruce Boan - Peggy Boan, Mill Bay BC

Saturday Evening 299er Pairs (17 pairs)

- 1D/E/F Shirley Ketch, Duncan BC; Ila Ehnes, Ladysmith BC
- 2D Jacqueline Fennellow, Parksville BC; Lorna Veitch, Qualicum Beach BC
- 3D/2E/F Laurie Naemura - William Gille, Salem OR
- 3E/F Daniel Evans, Saint George UT; Joe Harjung, Portland OR

Saturday Evening Swiss (42 teams)

- 1A Barbara Heller, Knoxville TN; **Rich Carle, Longview WA; Hal Montgomery, Portland OR; Hal Antonson, Olympia WA**
- 2A Cynthia Sinn, Beaverton OR; Darlene Thompson - June Hensala, Lake Oswego OR; Leslie Kelinson, Portland OR
- 3A Philip Duterme, Bellaire TX; Richard D'Litzenberger - Brian Koblenz, Leavenworth WA; John Cox, St. Maries ID
- 1B Lawrence Swanson, Walnut Creek CA; **Mary Alice Seville, Corvallis OR; Randy Naef, McMinnville OR; Stan Blascow, Philomath OR**
- 2B Judy Mundt - Ron Mundt, Sunriver OR; Susie Ball, Yakima WA; Jim Dukelow, Benton City WA
- 3B Paul Evanoff, Kent WA; Leigh Castoldi, Renton WA; Wende Keirse, Ridgefield WA; Linda Yount, Federal Way WA

Saturday Evening Swiss



Hal Antonson, Hal Montgomery, Barbara Heller, Rich Carle

- 1C Carroll Vaughan - Fred Vaughan - Al Stipe - Al Lunde, Federal Way WA
- 2C John Dunn, Vashon WA; Lilla Wallace - Lisa Korick, Vancouver WA; Janice Smith, Portland OR
- 3-4C Bill Drayton, Naples ID; Don Hanset, Sandpoint ID; Nobi Morris, Wenatchee WA; Karen Rise, Leavenworth WA
- 3-4C Tricia Flanagan - Mary Anne Crookes - Lorraine Somerville - Pat Anderson, Calgary AB

Sunday, Oct. 8

Sunday A/X Swiss (48 teams)

- 1A Vinita Gupta, Woodside CA; Billy Miller, Las Vegas NV; Ron Smith, Chicago IL; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Marie-France Benoit, Gatineau QC
- 2A Nanette Noland, Baton Rouge LA; Mike Passell, Plano TX; Marc Jacobus - Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; Brad Moss, Denver CO
- 3A Michael Levy, Keizer OR; Chris Wiegand, Portland OR; Christopher Gibson, Tigard OR; Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR
- 1X **Amy Casanova - Molly Harris, Portland OR; Richard Garvin, Corvallis OR; Allan Selberg, Albany OR**
- 2X Mary Ose, Sacramento CA; Douglas Jansen, Happy Valley OR; Lynda Hirst, Vancouver WA; Teri Smoot, Placerville CA
- 3-4X Tod Pontius - Kim Lambert - Kathleen Adams, Austin TX; Carol Kilmer, Portland OR
- 3-4X Rick Prouser - Charles Swart, Portland OR; Tom Joyce, East Hartford CT; Dennis Balfe, University City MO

Sunday Flight B Swiss Bracket 1 (8 teams)

- 1 Edgar L'Heureux, White Rock BC; Chuck Irwin - Jack Johnson, Surrey BC; Diane Griffiths, Langley BC
- 2 Sheryl Clough - Bill McGeary, Clinton WA; Art Hutton - Jackie Hutton, Stanwood WA
- 3 Ron Krueger - Geraldine Krueger - Massimo Gallotti - Cristina Gallotti, Spokane WA

Sunday Flight B Swiss Bracket 2 (8 teams)

- 1 **Eileen Boal, Albany OR; Becky McKenzie, Corvallis OR; Lawrence Swanson, Walnut Creek CA; Randy Naef, McMinnville OR**
- 2 Paul Evanoff, Kent WA; Leigh Castoldi, Renton WA; Wende Keirse, Ridgefield WA; Linda Yount, Federal Way WA
- 3 Rita Cannon, Ladysmith BC; Beth Cookson, Nanaimo BC; Sharon Feduniak, Courtenay BC; Dianna Rickson, Comox BC

Sunday Flight B Swiss Bracket 3 (8 teams)

- 1 Andy Hellquist, Surrey BC; Debbie Martignago, Pitt Meadows BC; Lou Rene Legge, Pitt Meadows BC; Jim Garnier, Maple Ridge BC
- 2 Toni Heitkamp, Portland OR; James Wheeler, Ridgefield WA; Andrey Ayupov - Andrey Dashkov, Beaverton OR
- 3 Kathy Bergman - Nancy Perkins - Maultin Mathias - Carole Mathias, Goodyear AZ

Sunday Flight B Swiss Bracket 4 (8 teams)

- 1 **Susan Carter, Portland OR; Barbara Pyles - Charles Hulse, Vancouver WA; Richard Leonardon, Santa Fe NM**
- 2 Helen Miller - John Penney, Lacey WA; Patricia Robbins - Orrin Robbins, Olympia WA
- 3 Fay Bronson, Tenino WA; John Underwood - Suman Gupta - Kris Gupta, Olympia WA

Sunday Flight B Swiss Bracket 5 (8 teams)

- 1 **Jerome Gordon, Salem OR; Karen Eveland, Lewiston ID; Michael Claassen, Bandon OR; Skip Weiss, Florence OR**
- 2 Linda Thomas - Darrel Mooney, Boise ID; Denise Holst, Courtenay BC; Darlene Allen, Squamish BC
- 3 Wendy Sexton, Wilson WY; Alan Whitman, Okanagan Falls BC; Janet Mori, Penticton BC; Sharon Gece, Osoyoos BC

Sunday Flight B Swiss Bracket 6 (8 teams)

- 1 **Sally Miller - Willy Suriano - Barbara Ball - Judith Wilkinson, Portland OR**
- 2 Mark Hatten - Marlene Manion, Bonners Ferry ID; Virginia Retford, Sagle ID; William Fry, Fairview OR
- 3 Stuart Director - Nely Johnson - Joan Peres, Portland OR; Janet Clemmons, Hillsboro OR

Sunday Flight B Swiss Bracket 7 (12 teams)

- 1 **Zack Woodbury - Mike Goffe - Michael Pham, Portland OR; Judee Woodbury, Palm Desert CA**
- 2 Joan Powell - Linda Howe - Edwin Van Dam, Portland OR; Edward Celnicker, Milwaukie OR
- 3 Kimberly Dauphin - Janet Landesberg - Dan Edelstein, Vancouver WA; Angel Almanza, Portland OR

Sunday Fast Pairs (34 pairs)

- 1A Dana Hastings, Baton Rouge LA; Greg Hinz, San Antonio TX
- 2A Jim Johnson, San Jose CA; Mary Loehr, El Cajon CA
- 3A Howard Epley - Karen Epley, Kent WA
- 1B/C Jack Hawks, Walnut Creek CA; Cyndi Sauvage, Englewood CO
- 2B Marta Cannell, Hood River OR; Bonnie Fortune, Newberg OR
- 3B William Radford, Kennewick WA; Paul Harding, New Westminster BC
- 2C Maxine McComas - Duane McComas, Portland OR
- 3C Dan Webster, Aldergrove BC; George Wood, Maple Ridge BC

Side Game Series

Morning Side Series (196 players)

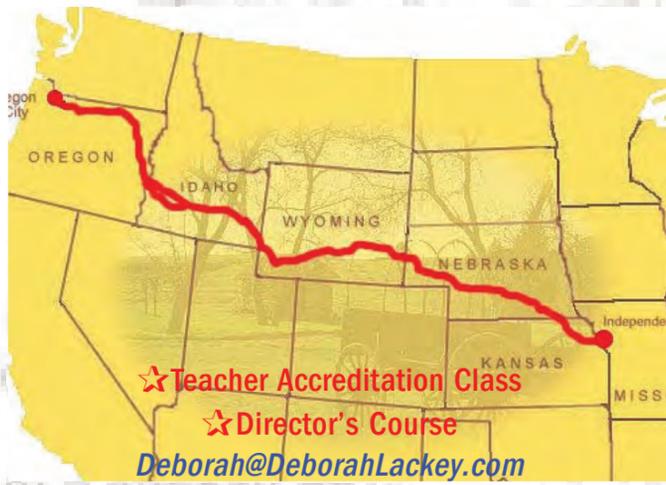
- 1 John Coone, Vernon BC
- 2 Paul Harding, New Westminster BC
- 3 Gustav Axen, New Westminster BC

Afternoon Side Series (326 players)

- 1-2 Sheryl Clough, Clinton WA
- 1-2 Bill McGeary, Clinton WA
- 3-4 Elsie Chan, Vancouver WA
- 3-4 Mike Ampsacher, Vancouver WA

Evening Side Series (383 players)

- 1-2 Nina Lubick, Laguna Woods CA
 - 1-2 Robert Borge, Bellingham WA
 - 3 Paula Strand, Kirkland WA
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SCHEDULE

Monday, Feb. 19

- 7 p.m.Columbia River Bracketed KOs (winners continue at 9, 1 & 7 Tuesday)
- 7 p.m.Stratified Open Charity Pairs (evening Side Game Series 1 of 6)
- 7 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Charity Pairs (1 session)

Tuesday, Feb. 20

- 9 a.m.Morning Side Game Series (1 of 5)
- 1 p.m.Portland Bracketed KOs (winners continue at 7; and at 1 & 7 Wednesday)
- 1 & 7 p.m.Three Strat Open Pairs (2 sessions)
- 1 & 7 p.m.♦ Daffodil Gold Point Pairs (2 sessions)
- 1 p.m.Afternoon Side Game Series (1 of 5)
- 1 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)
- 7 p.m.Stratified Swiss Teams (1 session)
- 7 p.m.Evening Side Game Series (2 of 6)
- 7 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)

Wednesday, Feb. 21

- 9 a.m.Early Bird Stratified Swiss Teams (continues 9 am Thursday)
- 9 a.m.Morning Side Game Series (2 of 5)
- 1 p.m.Vancouver Bracketed KOs (winners continue at 7; and at 1 & 7 Thursday)
- 1 & 7 p.m.Three Strat Open Pairs (2 sessions)
- 1 & 7 p.m.♦ Rose Gold Point Pairs (2 sessions)
- 1 p.m.Afternoon Side Game Series (2 of 5)
- 1 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)
- 7 p.m.Stratified Swiss Teams (1 session)
- 7 p.m.Evening Side Game Series (3 of 6)
- 7 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)

Thursday, Feb. 22

- 9 a.m.Morning Side Game Series (3 of 5)
- 1 p.m.Beaverton Bracketed KOs (winners continue at 7; and at 1 & 7 Friday)
- 1 & 7 p.m.Three Strat Open Pairs (2 sessions)
- 1 & 7 p.m.♦ Lilac Gold Point Pairs (2 sessions)
- 1 p.m.Afternoon Side Game Series (3 of 5)
- 1 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)
- 7 p.m.Stratified Swiss Teams (1 session)
- 7 p.m.Evening Side Game Series (4 of 6)
- 7 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)

Friday, Feb. 23

- 9 a.m.Rise & Shine Stratified Swiss Teams (continues at 9 am Saturday)
- 9 a.m.Morning Side Game Series (4 of 5)
- 1 p.m.Mount Hood Bracketed KOs (winners continue at 7; and at 1 & 7 Saturday)
- 1 & 7 p.m.Three Strat Open Pairs (2 sessions)
- 1 & 7 p.m.♦ Azalea Gold Point Pairs (2 sessions)
- 1 p.m.Afternoon Side Game Series (4 of 5)
- 1 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)
- 7 p.m.Stratified Swiss Teams (1 session)
- 7 p.m.Evening Side Game Series (5 of 6)
- 7 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)

Saturday, Feb. 24

- 9 a.m.Morning Side Game Series (5 of 5)
- 1 p.m.Ridgefield Compact KOs (winners continue at 7)
- 1 & 7 p.m.Three Strat Open Pairs (2 sessions)
- 1 & 7 p.m.♦ Tulip Gold Point Pairs (2 sessions)
- 1 p.m.Afternoon Side Game Series (5 of 5)
- 1 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)
- 7 p.m.Stratified Swiss Teams (1 session)
- 7 p.m.Evening Side Game Series (6 of 6)
- 7 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)

Sunday, Feb. 25

- 10 a.m. & TBAStrati-Flighted A/X Swiss Teams
- 10 a.m. & TBABracketed Flight B Swiss Teams
- 10 a.m. & 1 p.m.Stratified Fast Pairs (all 2 sessions)
- 10 a.m.♦ 299er Stratified Swiss Teams (1 session)

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STRATIFICATIONS

Three Strat Pairs: Open/2000/1250.

Gold Point Pairs: 750/300/200.

Stratified Events:

A: 2000+, B: 750-2000, C: 0-750.

299er Stratified Events:

A: 100-300, B: 50-100, C: 0-50.

Strati-Flighted A/X Swiss Teams:

A: 3000+; X: 0-3000. (Plays alone; 20 VP.)

Bracketed Flight B Swiss Teams:

0-2000 (no player over 2000); teams play in groups of 7-9 by MP range; gold points in each bracket; (20 VP).

Eligibility for flighted events based on top player's MP total. Thereafter, strats determined by average of pair or team. **Table Fees:** ACBL members \$12; non- and unpaid \$16; under age 26, \$5.

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- Midchart Conventions allowed in stand-alone Flight A/AX & top bracket of KOs (except Compact).
- Midchart defenses to opponents' 1NT openings allowed in all events

- One bracket KO may be handicapped.
- Play 2 times in side game series to qualify for overall gold points.
- ♦ Indicates Intermediate/Newcomer (I/N) events.



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Linda Redman

First up is Linda Redman of Portland. She'll be managing the Oregon Trail Regional in Vancouver, Wash., in February and the High Desert Regional in Sunriver, Ore., in May in 2018. She started playing 30 years ago.

"I was in college and they had a bridge game, and, after reading 'Five Weeks to Winning Bridge' by Alfred Sheinwold, I went by myself," Redman says. "I couldn't understand why the opponents were bidding when I opened a hand — after all, I thought this is my hand," Redman laughs. "I totally enjoyed my first game and just kept on going with it."

So why the decision to take on more responsibility? "I moved to Portland a few years ago and the staff and players at the Portland Bridge Club were so welcoming and so accommodating that I wanted to be able to give something back to my new bridge community," Redman explains. So she applied for the position.

But of course, no new undertaking is not without its challenges. "There are a lot of details involved in doing this job well, so, while it's exciting, it's also a little intimidating," Redman says. "For now, the biggest challenge is everything!" But that's also the exciting part.

When asked if she would've taken the gig if it were still just a one-person job, Redman quickly nods. "I'm always willing to try something new and different and



Linda Redman and Jim Wheeler are taking over for Judy Davis as tournament manager for District 20.

this sounds like a lot of fun."

Jim Wheeler

Stepping in as co-tournament manager is a man who started playing bridge while he was in the Peace Corps in Turkey back in 1965. Jim Wheeler, who now lives in Ridgefield, Wash., found there was little to do in the evenings back then, so he took up the game, learning from other Peace Corps volunteers.

He kept up the hobby, playing his first duplicate game in the early '80s and has been hooked ever since. In 2018, he'll be

managing the Great Potato Regional in Boise in August and the Oregon Coast Regional in Seaside in October.

So, why the decision to take on a leadership role? According to Wheeler, he enjoyed planning and organizing parties so he thought, "why not bridge tournaments?"

Wheeler says when he applied for the position of tournament manager, he thought he would be doing it alone as others have before him. "I think it was a wise decision on the part of the board to hire two of us," he says. "That way we can cover for each other in the event of illness or some emergency."

So what does he think the biggest challenge will be in this new role? Remembering to get things done when they need to be done, Wheeler says. "Now that I am 75, I find I have to write things down more often in order to remember them," he says with a smile.

The top two things Wheeler hopes to accomplish as tournament manager are exploring ways to make tournaments more enjoyable for everyone and increasing player turnout. "Those two things should go hand in hand," Wheeler says. But he doesn't plan on making any immediate changes. "I want to make sure I know what I am doing," Wheeler says, adding that he welcomes any and all suggestions from players. You can send comments to Wheeler's email at jimpamw@yahoo.com.



As Davis passes on the torch, she couldn't be more thrilled to see what both Wheeler and Redman can accomplish in the tournament manager role. "Both Linda Redman and Jim Wheeler will do an exceptional job," she says. "And I will be here to help, support, and encourage them as they embark on their new journey."

So what will Davis do with all her free time? "Play more bridge," she says. "Lots more bridge."



Judy Davis former tournament manager

Astoria pair plays bridge tournaments in all 50 states

By Chip Dombrowski
The Trumpet

The folks in Omaha were probably surprised to see a pair from the Oregon Coast show up at their sectional. With that stop in Nebraska in October under their belt, Monica Taylor and Lew Richardson completed a goal set almost 10 years earlier: playing in at least one bridge tournament in each of the 50 states.

Both live in Astoria and began playing tournaments in nearby Seaside in 2007. The pair had little more than 100 masterpoints each and had only played in four states — Oregon, Washington, Nevada and Colorado — when Richardson decided in March 2008 that he wanted to collect them all. "I had not traveled out of the Northwest much before playing in Colorado and thought it would be fun to play against different people from many areas."

Now, after 31 regionals, 23 sectionals and eight NABCs requiring air travel, plus 55 tournaments in Oregon and Washington, they're Ruby Life Masters.

They kept most of their trips short, three or four days, for a number of reasons: pets at home in Astoria; Taylor having two club games a week to direct there; Richardson, 75, having diabetic neuropathy



Lew Richardson and Monica Taylor

in his feet. So they spread their trips out and hit five or six states a year. The heaviest travel year was 2013.

Except for their first four states, the only one they visited more than once for tournaments was South Carolina. The other 45 states were one-and-done.

Although they didn't spend much time in most of the 50 states and much of it was spent at bridge tables, that doesn't mean there wasn't time for sightseeing. Taylor has fond memories of taking a helicopter ride to the top of a glacier in Denali National Park in Alaska, a horse-drawn carriage in Savannah, Ga., and visiting museums and parks in Massachusetts, Montana, Delaware and New Hampshire.

The most dramatic moment of their

journey came when a tornado hit the Oklahoma City sectional on May 31, 2013, at the start of the evening session. At check-in, Biltmore Hotel staff had advised Taylor to put a mattress over the bathtub to create a shelter.

As tornado alarms went off, the manager entered the playing area and ordered everyone to leave — and found out what happens when anyone tries to tell bridge players to put their cards down. As Taylor headed for her bathtub, reluctantly the

more die-hard players exited. "There was flash flooding, baseball-sized hail, and the trees around the hotel were snapped off and pulled out of the ground," Taylor said. Games resumed Saturday morning despite damages to the hotel during the storm.

Two weeks after the 10th anniversary of their first Seaside Regional, they reached the finish line in Omaha.

More on this story will appear in the January Bridge Bulletin.

Fifty tournaments in 50 states

Seaside OR	10/07	Fargo ND	8/12	New Orleans LA	3/15
Reno NV	12/07	St. Paul MN	10/12	South Bend IN	4/15
Vancouver WA	2/08	San Francisco CA	11/12	Edwardsville IL	5/15
Denver CO	3/08	Overland Park KS	12/12	Council Bluffs IA	7/15
Boise ID	5/09	Honolulu HI	1/13	Newington NH	8/15
Whitefish MT	5/10	Savannah GA	2/13	Farmington Hills MI	10/15
Cheyenne WY	9/10	St. Louis MO	3/13	Birmingham AL	3/16
Orlando FL	11/10	Hyannis MA	4/13	Hot Springs Village AR	4/16
Charleston SC	12/10	Oklahoma City OK	5-6/13	Manchester VT	5/16
Yuma AZ	1/11	Salt Lake City UT	9/13	Wheeling WV	8/16
Richmond VA	5/11	Cambridge MD	11/13	Warwick RI	9/16
Anchorage AK	6/11	Wilmington DE	12/13	Louisville KY	2/17
Pittsburgh PA	9/11	Dallas TX	3/14	Portland ME	3/17
Schnectady NY	9/11	Raleigh NC	5/14	Nashville TN	7/17
Lake Geneva WI	10/11	Gulfport MS	6/14	Allendale NJ	9/17
Albuquerque NM	1/12	Fairborn OH	9/14	Omaha NE	10/17
Rapid City SD	5/12	Danbury CT	10/14		

Seaside

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bridge with several different partners. Bob was gracious with his time, attending meetings and lectures, and always available to answer questions. There were plenty of professional players, which I still think is pretty exciting. I mean, in what other game or sport can you compete against the very best in the world?

D20 president Sam Asai presented outgoing tournament manager Judy Davis with a bouquet of flowers and thanked her for her service. Seaside was Judy's last tournament and we would like to thank her one last time as well.

Largest ACBL Regionals

Table counts for the top 15 regionals in each of the last four years.

	2017	2016	2015	2014			
1. Gatlinburg TN	7,936	Gatlinburg	8,323	Gatlinburg	8,649	Gatlinburg	8,776
2. Palm Springs CA	TBD	Palm Springs	3,931	Palm Springs	3,876	Hilton Head	4,076
3. Penticton BC	3,234	Hilton Head SC	3,567	Atlanta	3,161	Palm Springs	3,801
4. Houston	2,922	Penticton	3,156	Sarasota	3,148	Sarasota	3,402
5. Seaside OR	2,893	Seaside	3,099	Houston	3,103	Las Vegas	3,340
6. Sarasota FL	2,766	Houston	3,057	Las Vegas	3,062	Penticton	2,979
7. Monterey CA	2,749	Sarasota	3,056	Penticton	3,035	Atlanta	2,945
8. Atlanta	2,640	Atlanta	3,015	Seaside	2,961	Houston	2,791
9. Charlotte NC	2,555	Monterey	2,860	Orlando FL	2,950	Seaside	2,769
10. Greenville SC	2,405	Orlando FL	2,760	Greenville SC	2,916	Baltimore	2,638
11. Sacramento CA	2,324	Raleigh NC	2,602	Monterey	2,828	Santa Clara	2,546
12. Santa Clara CA	2,286	Charlotte NC	2,570	Charlotte	2,672	Raleigh	2,375
13. Myrtle Beach SC	TBD	Santa Clara	2,502	Washington DC	2,590	Williamsburg VA	2,365
14. Las Vegas	2,189	Las Vegas	2,406	Santa Clara	2,478	San Francisco	2,328
15. Baltimore	2,127	Baltimore	2,215	Baltimore	2,445	Monterey	2,257

Regionals

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The Oregon Trail Regional provides an opportunity for new and newer tournament players to play competitively and win gold points. We hope to see you in February.

We will have a hospitality table in the foyer, a partnership desk and free souvenir appliques for your convention card holders.

If you have any questions about the tournament, feel free to contact Linda Redman at lredman.home@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you.

Myers: 'My attitude is so different from what it used to be'

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"My divorce was not easy ... and I didn't want to have any conversations about [it] or why I'd been gone."

When she finally tested the waters at a Portland sectional last fall, she was pleasantly surprised. "People were welcoming and warm, and happy to have me back," she says.

"There were some uncomfortable questions - there still are - but for the most part it's been really wonderful."

After playing in 10 tournaments in 2017, mostly in District 20, Meg is on track to finish the year with more than 200 masterpoints. But more importantly, she's enjoying herself.

"One thing that's really been different for me this time around is that I'm playing less competitively and having a lot more fun," she says. "My attitude is so different from what it used to be. I still want to play well and win, but I play with partners of all levels, and I really enjoy mentoring."

Although she's won much higher-level events in the past, Meg described a win this summer in a bracket 3 KO with boyfriend Toby Craig - getting his first gold points - as "probably the most special win I've ever had."

Meg grew up in a family where everyone in the older generation played bridge but none of her older siblings or cousins did. "That was never an option for me," Meg says.

As the baby of the family, she was the last chance her parents and grandparents had to foist their passion for bridge onto someone who could carry the family's torch. Accordingly, her bridge instruction started early - practically in the womb. Meg doesn't remember



In the Massie family, you're never too young for bridge. Meg Massie Myers plays with her nephew Trevor over Thanksgiving in Charlottesville, Va.

it because "it started before I could talk."

Meg's grandmother, who lived with her family when she was young, and her mother were the prime instigators. "When most kids would get bedtime stories with their parents, I got bridge hands," she says. "Mom would deal them out, and I would count all the points. She would decide on the contract and I'd play one hand."

When she got a little older and became interested in making money, Meg started caddying. The first time she got thrown into a game by the partnership desk, at 12, she won her first fractional masterpoint. Though it was exciting,

Meg still preferred caddying.

"Listening to my mom and my friends talk about the hands between sessions was unbelievably boring to me," she says. "I couldn't believe anyone could find this stuff interesting, and I did my best to tune it out."

It wasn't until she was in her early 20s that she started to want to play, after meeting some other young people with similar backgrounds. They played for fun but didn't take it seriously and weren't very good, Meg says.

Then, a couple weeks before turning 22, she met McKenzie, who was then playing pro, at the 2005 Gatlinburg Regional.

Her game began to take off after they started dating, as she traveled with him to lots of tournaments.

"I gradually started understanding the language of bridge analysis from hanging around his teams," she says. "Spending most of my time on the road at tournaments was an incredibly valuable immersion experience."

Outside of bridge, Meg has been a Realtor since 2014. "It's a great job to have as a bridge player because I can play in daytime club games and get away for tournaments from time to time without missing work," she says.

Meg also has a night job. While away from bridge she became a frequent player of trivia games at bars, and eventually she was asked to join the company that organizes them. For about two years she's been hosting games and writing questions. She's also a big Blazers fan.

The past year has been an opportunity to get to know local players a lot better. In her past bridge life, Meg never had a regular partner because she was always traveling. She now has a regular club game with Joe Stanisiewski and has enjoyed playing with several other new partners in Portland for the first time.

Getting back into bridge over the past year has been good for Meg - a healing experience.

"It didn't take long at all for me to get comfortable and for the bridge table to become a happy place for me again," she says. "I feel like for the first time as a player, I'm forging my own identity beyond just my connections to more established players."

"It's great to be back"

Asai

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manager Marie Ashton, tournament manager Linda Redman, or me know if you wish to attend.

I want to recognize Marie Ashton's contributions in keeping our district running smoothly and efficiently. She is the heart and soul of our D20 administration.



Marie Ashton

Next year's regional tournaments include the February Oregon Trail in Vancouver, Wash., the May High Desert in Sunriver, the August Great Potato in Boise, and the October Oregon Coast in Seaside. I hope to see many of you players at one or more of them. Hosting regionals is the mission of our district. Please feel free to contact me about anything concerning D20 administration. See you at the tables.

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Milestones

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RUBY LIFE MASTERS

- Richard Brumund, Phoenix OR
- Katie Fagan, Kailua HI
- Thomas Fagan, Kailua HI
- Pete Grice, Boise ID
- Kent Huang, Portland OR
- Chloe Jarvinen, Corvallis OR
- Kay Read, Boise ID
- John Thomas, Eugene OR
- Stuart Vance, Kapaa HI
- Molly Wells, Eureka CA
- Jerry Woodman, Woodland WA
- Robert Zimmerman, Ocean Park WA

GOLD LIFE MASTERS

- Charles Baker Jr., Corvallis OR
- Julian Dupuis, Kelso WA
- Lee Hanson, McMinnville OR
- Dennis Harms, Corvallis OR
- Arun Savara, Honolulu HI

SAPPHIRE LIFE MASTERS

- Duane Christensen, Boise ID
- Robert Johnson, Tigard OR

Strategic Thinking

When to downgrade your hand

In the previous issue, we studied a key aspect of the game: when to upgrade your hand. But it doesn't mean you should be crazy!

There are times when your hand isn't worth its high-card value, and when downgrading saves you from unplayable games or slams, or big penalties. We saw last time that you could upgrade your hand before the bidding has even started and then you could adjust your evaluation as the bidding proceeds. The same strategy applies to downgrading. Let's examine when and why you should be, for once, a timid bidder. As soon as you pick up your hand, you should downgrade it if you have:

Queens and jacks. Also called slow values, queen and jacks need time before they can produce a trick (if they can ever produce one). They are the opposite of precious quick tricks and therefore are worth less than their official two-point and one-point values.

"Empty" suits, "broken" suits. These are bad suits with lots of holes. An empty suit would be something like K7532, and a broken suit KJ942. Don't automatically count yourself a length point when you

have those holdings, because empty or broken suits need friendly distributions to get established. You can always upgrade these suits later on if the bidding tells you to do so.



Louis Beauchet
Trumpet Contributor

Singleton honors. Singletons are nice and so are honors. But both together can do damage. It is really difficult to declare a contract when your side has singleton honors; you need to use more entries to set up the suits and you can't duck if needed.

Flat shape. In a recent sectional, I dealt and looked at:

♠K863 ♥AK6 ♦KQJ ♣A95.

I had 20 HCP, but they are really bad. So I shouldn't open 2NT like 90% of the field would do. Opening 1♣ and rebidding 2NT was one way to stay out of a failing 6NT.

But as we said, as the bidding proceeds, other factors should be taken into account; you should downgrade when you:

Have points in the opponents' suit. When the opponents bid a suit and you have values in it, you'd better not get too excited. They might produce tricks on defense but might not be so productive in offense. So if the opponents bid and raise hearts and you have ♥KQ doubleton,

count yourself 3 points for that holding. The queen is totally wasted, at least on offense.

Have a misfit. Misfit hands are the worst thing at bridge. You have to smell them and to stay at a lower level as soon as you think there is a misfit in your direction. Typical misfit auctions are when your side bids at least three different suits but can't find a fit (e.g. 1♥, 1♠, 2♣) or when you use forcing 1NT and partner rebids his suit, in which you are singleton or void.

You should also be careful when the opponents have a misfit. If they don't have a fit, you might not have one either. It's better to let them play in their six- or seven-card fits or in their hopeless notrump contracts, and let them struggle. That's why you shouldn't balance when the opponents have a misfit. Good opponents could double you and you could go for a big number. This rule is very important: *Misfits belong to the opponents.*

Now, you have to combine both the upgrading factors and the downgrading factors to make a proper evaluation before the bidding starts, and then adjust.

I hope it will help your game and allow you to go plus more often.

Louis Beauchet is a 17-year-old Bronze Life Master.

SECTIONAL RESULTS

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Vancouver NLM (46 tables)

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|---|------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | 4.76 | Deanna Birch, Vancouver WA |
| 2 | 4.70 | Guher Erbil, Vancouver WA |
| | 4.70 | Bruce Backup, Portland OR |
| 4 | 4.30 | John Dove Sr., Vancouver WA |
| 5 | 4.25 | Roger Thomas, West Linn OR |
| | 4.25 | Jon Gassaway, Beaverton OR |

Newport (139 tables)

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|----|-------|----------------------------------|
| 1 | 19.85 | Roger McNay, Beaverton OR |
| 2 | 17.88 | Irva Neyhart, Corvallis OR |
| 3 | 17.60 | Ethel Birnbach, Portland OR |
| 4 | 16.46 | Glenda Fleming, Albany OR |
| | 16.46 | Donald Pitt, Salem OR |
| 6 | 14.26 | Randy Dietrich, Portland OR |
| | 14.26 | Donald Kirkpatrick, Beaverton OR |
| 8 | 13.51 | Richard Garvin, Corvallis OR |
| 9 | 13.47 | Richard Carle, Longview WA |
| | 13.47 | Merlin Vilhauer, Beaverton OR |
| 11 | 13.26 | Mary Alice Seville, Corvallis OR |
| 12 | 12.26 | Brian Breckenridge, Corvallis OR |
| 13 | 12.23 | Becky McKenzie, Corvallis OR |
| 14 | 11.77 | Pat Moore, Corvallis OR |

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OREGON HIGH DESERT REGIONAL

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SCHEDULE

MONDAY MAY 14

7 p.m.Black Butte Bracketed KOs
 (winners continue at 9; and at 1 & 7 Tuesday)
 7 p.m.Stratified Open Charity Pairs (1 session)
 (part of Deschutes River Side Game Series) (1 of 5)
 7 p.m. ...♦ 299er Stratified Charity Pairs (1 session)

TUESDAY MAY 15

9 a.m.High Desert Side Game Series (1 of 5)
 1 p.m.Broken Top Bracketed KOs
 (winners continue at 7; and 1 & 7 Wednesday)
 1 & 7 p.m.Stratified Open Pairs (2 sessions)
 1 p.m. ..Deschutes River Side Game Series (2 of 5)
 1 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)
 7 p.m.Stratified Swiss Teams (1 session)
 7 p.m. ..Deschutes River Side Game Series (3 of 5)
 7 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)

WEDNESDAY MAY 16

9 a.m.Morning Stratified Swiss Teams
 (continues at 9 on Thursday)
 9 a.m.High Desert Side Game Series (2 of 5)
 1 p.m.Mt. Bachelor Bracketed KOs
 (winners continue at 7; and 1 & 7 Thursday)
 1 & 7 p.m. ...Three Strat Open Pairs (2 sessions)
 1 & 7 p.m.♦ Gold Pairs (2 sessions)
 1 p.m. ..Deschutes River Side Game Series (4 of 5)
 1 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)
 7 p.m.Stratified Swiss Teams (1 session)
 7 p.m. ..Deschutes River Side Game Series (5 of 5)
 7 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)

- Mid-chart conventions allowed in stand alone Flight A/X/Y & top bracket of KOs (except Compact). Midchart defenses to opponents' 1NT openings allowed in all events.
- One bracket KO may be handicapped.
- Play 2 times in side game series to qualify for overall gold points.

THURSDAY MAY 17

9 a.m.High Desert Side Game Series (3 of 5)
 1 & 7 p.m. ...Three Strat Open Pairs (2 sessions)
 1 & 7 p.m.♦ Gold Pairs (2 sessions)
 1 p.m.Bend Side Game Series (1 of 6)
 1 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)
 7 p.m.Bend Side Game Series (2 of 6)
 7 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)

FRIDAY MAY 18

9 a.m.Mt. Jefferson Compact KOs
 (winners continue Saturday at 9)
 9 a.m.High Desert Side Game Series (4 of 5)
 1 p.m.Cascade Mountains Bracketed KOs
 (winners continue at 7; and 1 & 7 Saturday)
 1 & 7 p.m.Stratified Open Pairs (2 sessions)
 1 p.m.Bend Side Game Series (3 of 6)
 1 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)
 7 p.m. ..Strati-Flighted A/X/Y Swiss Teams (1 session)
 7 p.m. ..Strati-Flighted B/C/D Swiss Teams (1 session)
 7 p.m.Bend Side Game Series (4 of 6)
 7 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)

SATURDAY MAY 19

9 a.m.High Desert Side Game Series (5 of 5)
 1 p.m.Three Sisters Compact KOs
 (winners continue at 7)
 1 & 7 p.m.Stratified Open Pairs (2 sessions)
 1 p.m.Bend Side Game Series (5 of 6)
 1 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)
 7 p.m.Stratified Swiss Teams (1 session)
 7 p.m.Bend Side Game Series (6 of 6)
 7 p.m.♦ 299er Stratified Pairs (1 session)

SUNDAY MAY 20

10 a.m. & TBA...Strati-Flighted A/X/Y Swiss Teams
 10 a.m. & TBA.....Bracketed Flight B Swiss Teams
 (both 2 sessions)

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Three Strat Pairs: Open/2000/1250
 ♦ **Gold Pairs:** 750/300/100
Stratified Events: A: Open; B: 2000-750; C: 0-750 (High Desert Side Game Series: Open/1500/500)
 ♦ **299er Events:** A: 100-300; B: 50-100; C: 0-50
Strati-Flighted A/X/Y Swiss Teams: Open/4000/2500
Strati-Flighted B/C/D Swiss Teams: 2000/750/300 (no player over 2000 mps).

Bracketed Flight B Swiss Teams 0-2000 (no player over 2000 mps); teams play in small groups by masterpoint average; gold points in each bracket. (All team events 20 vp).
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 ♦ Indicates Intermediate/Newcomer (I/N) event.



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TABLE FEES

ACBL members \$12; non- & unpaid, \$16; under age 26, \$5

AROUND THE UNITS



Ontario



By Inge Dickerson

Ontario players travel Europe

I must start off this column with a very heavy heart. My dearest husband, friend and favorite bridge partner passed away totally unexpectedly on Oct. 16 at the age of 79 and just three weeks short of our 54th wedding anniversary. **Ray Dickerson**, a Bronze Life Master, was a retired army officer, a patriot, courageous, true to his word and always helpful. He and I chauffeured elderly ladies to our bridge games, set up the tables, made the coffee and water pitchers, and then cleaned up afterwards.



Ray Dickerson With granddaughter

I am beyond words of grief. But this game forms a wonderful community and the outpouring of sympathy and help has been overwhelming. I am truly blessed.

Some of our bridge players had an exciting late summer in Europe. **Linda Simmons** and **Sharon Wada** went on a European tour along the Danube, and **Anne** and **John Oglevie** explored Italy and Sicily.

Dolores Echanis and **Roy Youngblood** won the first round at the Boise fall games. We are proud of them.

Our club is also feverishly working on our upcoming sectional tournament, taking place at the Four Rivers Cultural Center in Ontario, March 23-25, 2018. We hope to see you there!



Linda Simmons, Sharon Wada and Ray and Inge Dickerson are seen in Budapest this summer.

Boise gets new unit president

They're changing the guard at Boise Unit 394. **Leslie Muir** was elected president of the Boise unit by the board after former president Ian Martindale suggested that new leadership should take the wheel in the middle of the year before he left the board.



Leslie Muir

Leslie is well organized and conscientious. She will be a good leader in the effort to promote bridge in our area, encouraging present members and welcoming new members to the bridge community.

The unit congratulates three new Life Masters. **Rebecca Rodenbush**, **Linda Thomas** and **Julia Christensen** all at-



Boise



By Nancy Feldman

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tained the rank during the fall, **Linda** and **Julia** at Seaside and **Rebecca** at Eugene.

The unit board has been promoting activity for newer members and the effort paid off well at the Boise Sectional in September. The event was well attended and much of the increase was due to having more players in the 199er events.

Winners of the Friday 199er game were **Jayne James** and **Gary Baer**. The Saturday event was won by **Barbara Moser** and **Patt Ellison-Bowers**.



Nampa/Caldwell



By Marilyn Tripple

Volunteers are appreciated

Excuse me for a moment while I pull over my soapbox and jump up on it. I would like to compliment our members who take the time to be the leaders of our various clubs in this area.

These jobs carry no wages, no fringe benefits, and, in many cases, no praise. Those folks make sure all the bills are paid, that there is always a director on hand, that the sectionals get planned and completed, the Christmas parties organized and more. And when the rest of the crowd shows up on game days, all the tables and chairs are set up, the table markers and bidding boxes are in place, and the game is ready to go. Thanks to everyone! You're greatly appreciated.

I noticed in the August issue of the Bulletin (and the fall Trumpet) that **Inge Dickerson** of the Ontario club has attained the rank of Silver Life Master. Her husband, Ray, will be sorely missed.

Recently, when **Duane** and **Carol Christensen** returned from the Seaside and Reno tournaments, their response to a question of how did they do was "OK." As it turns out, "OK" at Seaside meant they had garnered 35.85 masterpoints, and at Reno, 17.93. Duane is totally appreciated at our club for being such a calm, dedicated director, ably assisted by **Bruce Thornburgh** and **John Pearson**.

The Nampa-Caldwell Harvest Sectional was held in November in an attractive new location this year, the Hispanic Cultural Center in Nampa. As always, our sectionals are well attended, not only from local regulars from Ontario and the Boise area, but by many from Sun Valley, Gooding, Twin Falls and other points east.

Our annual Christmas party at the Elks Lodge on Dec. 4 will be right around the time this issue reaches clubs. At that time we'll be announcing it's time to elect new officers and board members. Hmmm - seems like I'm ending on the same subject I started on!

Until next time, keep your powder dry!

Wildfire brings something unusual to the gorge: traffic



Mid-Columbia



By Peyt Turner

Bridge was one of the few uplifts in our lives most of September during the Eagle Creek fire.

We who don't usually experience heavy traffic saw our first bumper-to-bumper traffic on the bridge between Hood River and Washington. The days had burnt brownish/orange, gray or dark skies with the smell of smoke everywhere.

We are back to luscious blue skies, white clouds and new snow on Mount Hood. Life in the basement of Old St. Peter's church was our only normalcy in September.

Our charity ACBL contributions game is still collecting funds, with over \$200 at first counting.

The Eugene tournament with the wonderful food was attended by **Marylee Webber**, **Janet Meader**, **Lynn Rosen** and **Peyt Turner**. We each had only one good session - no gold, but we ate fabulous food!

Seaside had gold for **Norma Clark** and **Janet Meader**, **Lynn Rosen** and **Marylee Webber**. **Jim Heitkemper** played with

three different pickup partners, earning gold each time. **Sam Asai**, **Sylvia Riewierts**, **Lynne** and **Mike Annett** also attended.

A photo of **Ray Sjoblom** was missing from the fall edition of this report. Last quarter's item discussed his climbing Mount Adams at age 80 and further adventures since turning 90, including hunting a turkey.



Ray Sjoblom

Big game: **Bev Van Nice** and **Darlene Kemper** scored a 75% in a game in September. Unfortunately, we didn't have enough tables that day for them to get published in the ACBL magazine.

Results

Unit Game, August — 1: Colleen Fredrickson - Bev Van Nice; 2: Jim Heitkemper - Fay Lemuel; 3: Janet Meader - Peyt Turner.

Unit Game, September — 1: Jim Heitkemper - Chet Hall; 2: Alyce Dunn - Janet Meader; 3: Gary Cotter - Darlene Kemper.

Unit Game, October — 1: Norma Clark - Peyt Turner; 2: Alyce Dunn - Darlene Kemper; 3: Lynn Rosen - Marylee Webber.

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Please send checks payable to ACBL District 20 to District 20 Education Coordinator **Deborah Lackey**, 1138 43rd St., Washougal, WA 98671. For information, email deborah@deborahlackey.com or call 360-216-7484.

AROUND THE UNITS

Nurse without borders is Chico's top traveler

Traveler. Not the little score sheet that moves from table to table. Not Robert E. Lee's horse. It's the person who, after years of keeping nose to grindstone and saving up a lifetime of curiosity, gets itchy feet and decides to call on the rest of the world.

The Chico bridge scene abounds with such folks: cruisers **Pete** and **Doris Roth** have logged more sea miles than Captain Nemo; the wonderfully-named **Jane Wanderer** organizes and leads excursions to places remote and exotic; **Persis Sturges** and **Mel Marble** have been around the world more often than a weather satellite; and we are always glad to wave goodbye to **Garth Gregory** as he departs on his latest trek, since his absence means the rest of us can win a few club games.

But the title of most intrepid road warrior goes hands down to **Carol Huston**. Unlike others though, she travels not to check items off a bucket list or soak up foreign culture. She is our very own missionary of health care to places that do not have enough of it.

Armed with degrees in nursing, as well as a doctorate in public administration from USC, and bolstered by decades as a staff nurse and university-level teacher, Carol has taken her skills on the road for nearly 20 years. For four of them she was president of the International Honor Society of Nursing (125,000 members strong),



Chico



By Doug Jones

a role that took her to 27 countries. She has subsequently joined with teams of other medical professionals in people-to-people delegations under the auspices of the UN and the Eisenhower Foundation.

In the process, she has, among other adventures, survived a tsunami, a taxi-napping, extortion attempts, and was even serenaded by a Japanese opera singer.

Asked what her takeaway is from these years of service and experience, she said she believes they have made her a better global citizen, giving her a profound sense of how fortunate Americans are.

OK, that was "Mother Teresa." Now let's talk bridge. Self-taught, and with an aggressive, fortune-favors-the-bold style, Carol is among the finest players in the area. Don't expect any TLC here, however. The pressure she applies at the bridge table is not to stop the flow of blood, but to start it.



Carol Huston

What happens when vocation and avocation collide? Carol recalls being in the midst of a Grand Nationals tournament several years ago when a cry for help went up. A player had collapsed and showed no pulse. Carol performed CPR for several minutes and, with the aid of paramedics, brought the victim back to consciousness. Her reward? Eternal gratitude from the patient, of course, and disqualification from the tournament for being away from the table too long.

The unit was saddened by the Aug. 31 death of **Carolyn Hodel** who, together with husband **Chuck**, was at the heart of Chico bridge for decades as club owners and teachers. They took their act to sea, teaching bridge aboard cruise ships for several years before Carolyn's health would no longer permit it.

Big games: Huston and Chuck Hodel, 77.1% on Oct. 3 and 78.7% on Oct. 6; Doug Jacobs and Doug Jones, 76.8%, Aug. 14.

Results

Unit Game, Aug. 18 — 1A: Jack Woodard — Danny O'Brooklyn, 2A/1B/1C: Joanne Martin — Alberta Simic.

Unit Game, Sept. 15 — 1A: Doug Jacobs — Garth Gregory, 1B: Doug Jones — Jack Woodard, 1C: Joan Maxwell — Marilyn Franks.

Unit Game, Oct. 13 — 1A/B: Larry & Peggy Skinner, 1C: Joanne Martin — Alberta Simic.



Carolyn Hodel



Redding



By Joan Sullens

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Players come to rescue for flat tire

Playing bridge must help keep you young. We all know players like **Gene Biek**, 89 years young, who rides his bike to and from bridge most every session.

Once in a while he has to use his car. It so happened that last time he did, he came out of the club to find a flat tire. Most players had already headed home. But help came along via **Jim**

Smith, Fred Nelson and Joe Willardson. They fixed the tire in record time and had Gene on his way. Gene is also a wine maker. So the good deed netted those guys some excellent vino.

Jeanne Carpenter turned 98 in September. She's still a formidable player. She was treated to a surprise birthday party held at her church, attended by many of our players.

Sadly, we lost three of our long-time players recently. **Marjorie Lockwood, Pat Maddox, and Jeanne Maloon** will be missed by all.

Instead of noting special game winners we would like to recognize eight players who scored 70% games: **Mike Hollins, Gerri Wolfe, Ken Murray, Bruce Dwiggins, Florence Hungerford, Judy Hotchkin**; and from our restricted side, **Capri Pearce and Fred Nelson**. Good going, all! We'll hope to add to the 70% circle next quarter.



Gene Biek

Pat Pommerenck turns 90, treats club to lunch



Yuba City



By Carol Nelson

A hearty welcome to **Ruth Engler**, a new-to-us player who is joining our game.

Seven of our players participated in the Reno Regional in October: Danny O'Brooklyn, Ramon Lopez, Alan Ludwig, Carol Nelson, Jo Anne Murdock, Mary Mayfield, and Pat Pommerenck. None of us did spectacularly well, but we came home with a smattering of points and good memories. This was the first time District 21 has held a regional there after District 20's last Reno Regional in 2014.



Patty Damron, Johnnie Houser, Lyn Clark and Pat Pommerenck celebrated birthdays in October.

We celebrated the October birthdays of **Patty Damron, Johnnie Houser, Lyn Clark, and Pat Pommerenck**. It was a milestone birthday for Pat, her 90th. She treated the entire club to lunch and

bridge. Thank you, Pat, and a toast to you on your special birthday.

Big games: The winners in each of the games listed below achieved over 70%: **Danny O'Brooklyn and Steve Kaessner** on Aug. 3, **Tom Frye and Mary Mayfield** on Sept. 14, and **Don Johnson and Alan Ludwig** on Oct. 2.

Results

Club Game, Aug. 3 — 1A: Danny O'Brooklyn — Steve Kaessner, 2A: Mark Bloom — Don Johnson, 3A/1B: Rick Shipley — Mary Mayfield, 2B/1C: Alan Ludwig — Ramon Lopez.

Club Game, Sept. 14 — 1A: Tom Frye — Mary Mayfield, 2A: Don Johnson — Ramon Lopez, 1B: Johnnie Houser — Alan Ludwig, 2B: Don & Lois Hay.

Club Appreciation Game, Oct. 2 — 1A: Don Johnson — Alan Ludwig, 2A/1B/1C: Rick Shipley — Jerry Fishell, 3-4A/2-3B: Carol Nelson — Mary Mayfield, Johnnie Houser — Pat Pommerenck.



Brookings Tri-City Bridge Club



By George Kuppler

Class yields six regular players

It was a smoky summer in Brookings. The Chetco bar fire burned almost 200,000 acres July through September. It's nice to be out of fire season.

We have sad news to report, the death of **Ruby Bryson** on Oct. 8 at age 92. She was an active bridge player for more than 60 years. Her humor and readiness to bid and play 3NT will be dearly missed.

An update on our beginners' classes: we've had six from our beginner group of 14 progress to playing somewhat regularly at our club games and they are doing very well earning masterpoints. We are now in the process of a second class. A few of our original participants are re-taking the class and an additional eight new participants have joined our group.

We are also offering a phase two for the returning folks who are ready to add more skills. New players are so important to our game. A special thanks to the unit for its support and to all our club members for giving their time and energy.

Big games over the past three months: **Sandra and Bill Waddle** scored a 76%; **Ned Flaxington and Claudia Kemper** scored 71% and 70% during the period.



Eureka



By Frederica Aalto

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New game time

We loved seeing some of our fellow bridge addicts here in Eureka for our annual sectional. The reasons why this is the sectional not to miss include a beautiful seaside setting, moderate summer temperatures, exceptional food (complete meals), and a bang-up catered party finale.

We are most grateful to those who contributed time, effort and money to make this a very fine event. Be sure to put it on your calendar for next year. It's the second weekend in September.

There are two changes in our regular games that started Nov. 1. All games (Monday, Wednesday and Saturday) are now at noon. The fee per game has increased from \$6 to \$8, a long overdue adjustment.

It's still a bargain, since our selfless directors continue to provide a full lunch,

Partnership desk success in Seaside

The Seaside Regional is one of our favorite tournaments. The venue is a charming coastal community and early October still holds great chances for good weather. People are friendly and it is fun whether you win or lose. And we did both.

My partner, **Sharon Warren**, and I represented the Grants Pass club in this year's tournament. We both needed 2.5 gold points to reach our next level and were hell bent to accomplish this goal. Still newbies to knockout games, we decided to brave it and seek another pair to form a team.

We took advantage of the partnership desk and found a great couple from Olympia, eager to complete our team and take on a knockout game. Making it into the final round, we were guaranteed 3.5 gold and 3.5 red points. So while we lost in the final, it is the best we have done in a tournament and we are very happy to have accomplished our primary goal.

I was very impressed with the partnership process. I had a chance to meet with the partnership chair **Sue Kroning**. Over



Grants Pass



By Denise McElney

the past 15 years, she has developed her own system that makes it easy and efficient for players to match up. She encourages people to contact her early via

email with partnership requests. The best time to submit requests is one to three weeks before the tournament.

Sue collects info such as current masterpoints, a player's general approach to the game, number of people required, dates of play, and contact information. She compiles this info into a document.

When requests come in, she emails a copy of the document, and it is up to players to contact each other. Then they let her know when partnerships have been formed so their names can be removed from the list and kept up to date.

We had a very positive experience finding partners and wish to send Sue Kroning a big thanks for all her efforts.

Big games: Sept. 6, **Doug Merritt and Raj Tandon**, 70%; Sept. 15, **Doug Merritt and Bob Harkey**, 72%; Oct. 17, **Denise McElney and Sharon Warren**, 71%.

AROUND THE UNITS

Medford area plans spring, fall sectionals

Unit 484's board of directors has scheduled two sectional tournaments for 2018, in March and September.

The spring tournament will be held March 23-25; the fall tournament is set for Sept. 14-16.

Both tournaments will be held at the Dan Voorhies Bridge Center in Phoenix, Ore., just south of Medford at Exit 24 off I-5. Jeff Jacob will serve as tournament director.

Even though open games are played each day, the unit's sectionals are always player-friendly for intermediates and newcomers with I/N games held both Friday and Saturday, subject to player availability.

"We'll welcome visitors with our usual hospitality," said board member John Cowles, who will chair the fall tournament. "Our members provide great snacks, and many help out by contributing cash the unit uses to purchase additional food for the hospitality tables."

Games on Friday and Saturday will follow the popular 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. start times. On Sunday, the unit will arrange for lunch to be brought into the bridge center in order to get an early start on the second session of Swiss teams.

"People enjoy coming to Southern Oregon in March and September," Cowles



Jackson County
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By Jim Flint

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said, "because some of our best weather is in those two months."

In addition, with the daytime schedule, players can enjoy a play at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival or spend a leisurely evening dining out at one of more than 400 restaurants in the area.

Holiday party

The unit celebrated the holidays with its annual Christmas party and unit game on Dec. 2.

The unit holds quarterly unit games on Saturdays. There are usually two team games and two pairs games. In each category, the unit has selected one open and one Pro-Am style of play. In Pro-Am matches, Life Masters are teamed or paired with non-Life Masters.

The holiday unit game was a stratified pairs event. Prior to the noon game, there was a unit-provided buffet and the unit's annual meeting.

Beginner classes

Mark McKechnie taught beginning bridge classes for 10 weeks in the fall at the Jackson County Bridge Club. The two-hour sessions were held on Wednesday nights.

Classes were conducted at the Dan Voorhies Bridge Center, where Southern Oregon clubs hold their games.

McKechnie is considering a follow-up class in the winter, beginning in January, depending on player interest. Tuition for the 10-week session is \$50. For more information about the classes, contact McKechnie at 541-944-9886.

Big game: Bob Fox and Robert Scott scored 70.3% on Oct. 27 in an eight-table game.

Results

Special NLM Swiss Teams, Aug. 31 — 1: Cheryl Bain, Jack Agresti, Terry Purpus, Glenda Sims; 2: Kay Bain, Dennis Powers, Bill & Janet Ligon; 3: Pam Howard, Kathleen Moore, Helen Mills, Marion Gribben.

Pro-Am Unit Swiss Teams, Sept. 9 — 1: Dana Shaver, Patricia Shaver, Helen Mills, Marion Gribben; 2: Addie Greene, Mark Matson, Judd Robbins, Everett Anderson; 3: Bob Fox, Angie Knight, Jill & Bob Wolcott.



Mark McKechnie



Klamath Falls
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By Bobby Thompson

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Pair tops record score with 78.75

We had good and sad things happen since our last Trumpet. **Ruth O'Connor**, one of our "never miss a game" players, died. She began playing duplicate in the 1970s and was a goodwill ambassador for the game. Her failing eyesight forced Ruth to finally give up playing in November 2016. A Ruby Life Master with an infectious laugh and great humor, she will be missed.

Quarterly top point winners in the club were **Doug Higgs, Bobby Thompson and Ed McClure** in the open category while **Patti Collom, Ethel Rust and Dale Taylor** led the NLM contingent.

A bunch of big games in the last quarter led by a record high of 78.75% by "the dynamic duo,"

Laila Griffith and Carol McClure. The old record of 78.57% was set in February 2012 by Dr. McClure and Thomp-



Laila Griffith and Carol McClure

son. Other big games include: Griffith and **Harvey Bush** 74%; Higgs-Thompson 72.9% and Higgs with **Keith Thorp** 70.3%.

A round of applause for **Bud Wakefield** for winning one of our unit games. He was invited to come play bridge by club manager Keith Thorp when they were playing golf at Shieldcrest. Bud comes down before the regular morning game and plays with people at "pre-game." An occasional Sunday is the only time he can play a full game of duplicate.

We are heading down the stretch with the finish line just ahead to close out 2017. For our Unit 482, out-of-town tournaments were wonderful, especially the August Bend High Desert Sectional. Can't say enough about their group. The tournament is well run from start to finish with hospitality second to none. **Dianne Maffia** is in charge of the gift baskets they give away, and those baskets are like having dinner at the Waldorf Astoria in New York City! We'll have to wait until 2019 for the next sectional in Bend as they have the **Sunriver Regional** May 14-20, 2018.

What George Rosenkranz taught Nelda

Late summer and fall activities in central Oregon were marred by lingering smoke from the massive wildfires in our area. Outdoor activities were curtailed or even canceled, many residents were wearing face masks, but our local bridge players were undaunted and continued to flock to the bridge tables.

We nominated **Nelda Linman** for Goodwill Member of the Year, an annual award given by the ACBL's Goodwill Committee. While Nelda has been previously honored with an appointment to the committee, that was before honorees were profiled in the Trumpet. A lot of our newer players may not know Nelda very well so let me introduce her.



Nelda Linman

Nelda was born at home in the tiny town of Dorris, Calif., and then moved to Klamath Falls where, in high school, she met Joe, her future husband. When Joe graduated from college the family moved to Detroit, where he started working for Ford Motor Co., and Nelda was



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By Dianne Maffia

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able to go back to college to earn her degree in social work. Joe's promotions gave his family the opportunity to move often.

In 1969 they moved to Mexico City, where Nelda was just starting to learn bridge and Spanish when she was asked to fill in for a game at the American embassy. She was terrified but survived because her partner was so supportive and kind. It wasn't until later she found out her partner was none other than Dr. George Rosenkranz, a world-class bridge player and noted Mexican scientist.

In 1998 the Linmans moved to Bend where Nelda, wanting to interest others in playing and improving their game, started a small group of three tables. She joined the ACBL in 2002 and has since grown as an accomplished bridge player and mentor utilizing the values she learned from

Dr. Rosenkranz.

Nelda served three terms as unit president and worked tenaciously to bring a regional tournament to Central Oregon. Our first regional in 2014 was a great success. The attendance in 2016 grew by over 100 tables even with the Bend/Redmond airport closed for repairs.

Next spring we will be hosting the **High Desert Regional** May 14-20 at the beautiful Sunriver resort, located on the banks of the Deschutes River just south of Bend. We hope you will be joining us in May.

Results

Cascade Club

Unit Championship, July — 1: Don Crozier — Sue Tripp, 2: Jim Hurlburt — Nelda Linman.

Unit Championship, August — 1: Diane Guilfooy — Cindy Larsen, 2: Bill Bergmark — Ken Waskom.

Unit Championship, September — 1: Don Crozier — Sue Tripp, 2: Susan Battistella — Rich Gettmann.

Redmond Club

Unit Charity Game, July — 1: Katy Kane — Carolyn Malmquist, 2: Lorraine Rodich — Rosemary Segall.

Unit Championship, Aug. — 1: Larry & Laura Smith, 2: Mark Osborn — Mike Thurlow.

Unit Championship, Sept. — 1: Frank Murphy — Ken Waskom, 2: Linda Johnson — Fran Saukko.

Coming January 15-21: Pacific States STaC!

All clubs within District 20 are invited to participate

The week starting Monday, Jan. 15, through Sunday, Jan. 21, 2018, has been sanctioned for a District 20 Sectional Tournament at Clubs (STaC).

These games pay silver points at sectional rating, with overall awards based on combined scoring for all clubs running the same session.

Club managers must register in advance in order to participate.

For registration and instructions, see:

<http://tournaments.acbl.org/club-stac-admin.php?id=34163>



Garden Isle Sectional

Jan. 26-28, 2018

Sun Village Recreation Center
3-3400 Kuhio Hwy.
Lihue, Kauai 96766
(Building D; located behind Wilcox Hospital)

Head Director: Patrick Kallaus
Tournament Chair: Doug McCalla,
dmccalla@cox.net

Visiting players, please notify the Tournament Chair by email.

Friday, Jan. 26

1 p.m. ... Kilauea Lighthouse Stratified Open Pairs, \$20/pair

Saturday, Jan. 27

9 a.m. ... Wailua Falls Stratified Morning Open Pairs, \$20/pair
1 p.m. ... Poipu Beach Stratified Afternoon Open Pairs, \$20/pair

Sunday, Jan. 28

9 a.m. ... Waimea Canyon Stratified Swiss Teams
1 p.m. (Two sessions, 20 Victory Point Scale; \$80/team, includes both sessions)

Complimentary catered lunch provided between morning and afternoon sessions

• Stratified Open Pairs/
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A: 1000+; B: 200-1000;
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Add \$3 per player per session for non-ACBL and unpaid members

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AROUND THE UNITS



Vancouver/ Longview

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By Steve Tubbs
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Lessons progress; 14 will go on Panama cruise

It's been a busy time at our clubs. Despite a chilly reception at the Vancouver sectional in August due to computerized air conditioning, the play and participation held its own against the competition of a once-in-a-lifetime solar eclipse. The tournament continued its successful run, thanks to **Miriam Saner** and others.

The club's venture into another limited game on Thursday night has proved to be very popular. Originally established as a 0-50 game, it was changed to a 99er game in May. **Deborah Lackey** directs and enthuses about the members' response. "We had a hot dog party in September and everyone had a grand time." There is a mini-lesson preceding the 6 p.m. game.

Speaking of which, education continues apace. **Sandee Canton** and **Kent Livingston** are in the middle of Bridge Basics I, while Lackey is on course with Major Suit Raises.

"I plan on teaching a four-week course, Improving Your Judgment, at the first of the year but I haven't yet set the dates," Lackey said.

Longview reports that **Ray Snell** has gone to Alabama. We wish him well. A bunch of us (14 so far) are going on a cruise through the Panama Canal on the *Westerdam* sailing from San Diego on Jan. 20. We will disembark in Fort Lauderdale on Feb. 4. Both **Rita Fontaine** and **Rich Carle** are prepared to conduct duplicate games en route.

Sue Carle and **Joan Holbrook** snagged first in the ACBL Interclub Championship held Sept. 25.

We recently lost several players. **Wanda Burness**, a regular at the Longview Bridge Club, succumbed to cancer in August. Her laugh, smile and charm defined the ACBL's admonition, "Play nice." **Rudy Metzner** also died in August. Rudy was considered the quintessential gentleman. **Ken von Husen** was felled by a sudden heart attack in September. He was born in Germany, and survived the firestorm bombing of Hamburg to emigrate to the U.S., serving in the military and then working on commercial aircraft.

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Fall sectional hits 20-year high; PBC to move

The Portland unit is dedicated to growing, teaching and improving the game of bridge. There are opportunities for this growth in a variety of places.

The Ace of Clubs offers a weekly beginner/intermediate class on various topics open to players interested in improving their game. A weekly mini-lesson precedes the Wednesday mentor game.

Portland Bridge Club is currently teaching 40 students how to play the game. The next series of Learn to Play Bridge classes will begin in the spring. Many of their former students are now moving up to play in both higher limited and open games. Two rotating classes are also offered weekly on a walk-in basis for new and advancing players. Each week before the class, via email, you can obtain hands, homework and an outline on the subject being taught.

In addition to the classes offered by local clubs, the unit volunteers to teach bridge to middle school students at Catlin Gabel School. That started about seven years ago when **Doug Jansen**, **Marie Pinch** and unit president **Nancy Jonske** taught a week-long immersion program in bridge during Catlin's "winterim" program. The class later became an elective in the activities period.

Nancy created handouts and a general plan of a 10-minute lesson followed by 20 minutes of fun bridge hands. Volunteers



Portland

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By Jan Clemmons

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from the unit board and the bridge community are committed to helping make the program successful.

We thank **Christy Wiegel** for donating wooden card holders to help small hands hold cards. The bridge activity is now one of the most popular electives and class sizes range from 8 to 16 students per term. We have many returning students and some former students have been seen playing occasionally at the clubs and tournaments. The unit is proud of this effort to help grow the game.

Sectional draws 265 tables

The Portland Fall Sectional had another great turnout, 265 tables. This is the largest turnout for a fall sectional in more than 20 years. The unit did an excellent job of encouraging Friday players to car-pool, which resulted in easier parking in the Montgomery Park visitors lot.

Our winter sectional is scheduled for Jan. 26-28 at Montgomery Park. We will continue to offer a free lunch on Sunday between Swiss team sessions. In addition to the traditional Swiss teams, the sectional

will add a new Sunday event, fast pairs.

OBTY editor wanted

After three years on the job, OBTY editor **Martha Maroney** is stepping down. The unit thanks her for her contributions and hard work. We encourage anyone interested in becoming our next editor to contact a unit board member.

Tour groups visit Ace

Finesse West Tours creates comprehensive, international, first-class sightseeing tours which include the hospitality of local bridge players at their clubs. The Ace of Clubs welcomed two tour groups with 27 tables on Sept. 5 and 20 tables on Oct. 3.

PBC donates to hurricane, plans move

Portland Bridge Club raised \$1,300 for victims of Hurricane Harvey that devastated Houston. The funds were sent directly to the Houston Food Bank.

The big news at the PBC is its move to the Lloyd Center from the Sandy location at the end of December. The beautiful new space is on the third floor. This central eastside location is easily accessed by bus and MAX and has loads of parking for those who drive.

Once settled, the club is looking forward to expanding its limited game and lesson schedule. And, of course, there will probably be a great "clubwarming" celebration.

I/N regional coming; pair plays in 50 states



Seaside/ Astoria/Illwaco

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By Sue Kroning

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The Seaside Sectional April 20-22 will run concurrently with a brand new 0-750 NLM intermediate/newcomer regional with Gold Rush pairs and Gold Rush Swiss teams. We also will have the usual sectional open pairs and Swiss teams for silver points, but the 299er and 99er games are part of the regional and score red points.

We're changing the starting times to 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. so you can come for the whole weekend or drive down for the day. This will be the first I/N regional in District 20, so make plans to come to Seaside for a historic weekend of fun in the sun.

Their 50th state

They did it! **Monica Taylor** and **Lew Richardson** attended a bridge tournament in Nebraska, completing their goal of playing at tournaments in all 50 states. They have been working at it for almost



Monica Taylor and Lew Richardson completed their goal of playing at bridge tournaments in all 50 states when they visited Omaha, Neb., in October.

10 years. (See story, page 10.)

Seaside Regional

Many local players did well in the fall Seaside Regional. Topping the master-point list were **Jane Lowe** and **Doug West**, who, although not playing with each other, scored 20.56 each. Our non-Life Masters **Manny Suarez** (10.32) and **John Curtis** (6.85) added to their pots of gold and it was great to see our newer players like **Judhi Chopping**, **Nancy Hornshuh**, **Jane**

Mannex, **Ruth Johnson** and **Sally Ann Wells** all earning points.

Jeff and **Christy Wiegel** were the lucky winners of a week's accommodation in a Seaside condo. **Ann Gramson** and **Sandra Baker** organize the raffle yearly to raise money for new player development.

We would like to thank players for tipping the caddies so generously this year. Tips go into tip jars for sharing later, unless a tip is offered for a specific service.

Farewell

We were sad to lose **Renee Gross**, 90, in September. Listening to her identical twin speak at the memorial service was a poignant reminder of this popular player. Renee once traveled the country in an RV with her cat and wrote a book about it.

New members

We are delighted to welcome new ACBL members **Elizabeth Cole**, **Luann Ward** and **Lisa Halicki**.

Check out our super new website at bridgewebs.com/oregonseasideunit491. We have games Monday through Saturday, and sometimes on Sunday.

Maui Snowbird Sectional

Feb. 9-11, 2018

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Feb. 9

Stratified Open Pairs, single session ... 9:30 a.m., 2 p.m.

Feb. 10

Stratified Open Pairs, single session ... 9:30 a.m., 2 p.m.

Feb. 11

Stratified Swiss Teams (two sessions) 9 a.m., TBA.

Stratifications

All events

A: 1500+
B: 500-1500
C: 0-500

Tournament Chair

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Fees: \$8 per session, single events (\$11 for non- and unpaid ACBL members).
Swiss Teams: \$88 per team, \$94 for 5-man team (this fee includes lunch between sessions).

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Hawaii 2018

Big Island Sectional

February 23-25

Schedule

Friday, Feb. 23

Stratified open pairs: 10 a.m., 1:30 p.m.
Stratified 299er pairs: 10 a.m.
(stratified at Director's discretion)

Saturday, Feb. 24

Swiss Teams: 9 a.m., 1 p.m.
Side Swiss Teams 0-299 MP: 9 a.m., 1 p.m.
(20 VP scale & stratified by average)

Sunday, Feb. 25

Stratified open pairs: 9 a.m., 1 p.m.
Stratified 299er pairs: 9 a.m.

Stratification
by
average

A=Open
B=500-1500 MP
C=500 MP and below
299er: 0-300 MP
(all by Director's discretion)



ACBL Unit 469 • Hilo, Kona, Waikoloa

Entry fees

Lunch provided every day!

Open pairs events: \$10 per player; \$14 per unpaid or non-ACBL member.

Swiss Teams: This two-session event is \$100 per team of 4, plus \$10 for each additional player.

Side Swiss Teams: Each session, \$50 per team.

299er pairs events: \$8 per player; \$12 unpaid or non-ACBL members.

*Free play for a player in a 299er event with less than 5 masterpoints and is a paid ACBL member.

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AROUND THE UNITS

Unknown cousins met at table in Corvallis



Albany/Corvallis

By Kathi Downing

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His journey back to the bridge table is a familiar story. Upon retirement from 28 years of teaching high school science, **Bryon Van Fleet** decided to return to bridge, a game he had enjoyed in college.

His first venture into the world of duplicate bridge occurred at an Arizona club and was not the experience he expected. After being yelled at by his partner for leading the ♠J (yes, he remembers the exact card), he prayed for lousy cards for the rest of the afternoon so that he wouldn't have to bid or play. That incident nearly ended his nascent bridge career.

He was lucky enough to move to Corvallis. In 2014, a few years after his arrival, the Heart of the Valley Bridge Center opened in town. While reading a Corvallis Gazette-Times article touting the new bridge center, a photograph accompanying the story caught Bryon's eye. On the



Catherine Van Fleet and Byron Van Fleet met in a bridge class in Corvallis in 2014 and discovered they were second cousins.

freshly painted wall of the center was a poster that declared "Play Nice" in large letters. Those two words made Bryon take heart and sign up for classes. The poster embodied the spirit of the club and Bryon soon found a friendly community of like-minded individuals.

Coincidentally, among his new classmates was another recent transplant named **Catherine Van Fleet**. Catherine had just moved to Corvallis a month before, after 33

years of teaching elementary school.

Striking up a conversation, they discovered they had many similarities besides their last names. Both were retired teachers who had worked overseas as well as in the U.S. While Catherine did not have a background in bridge, she had always loved to play cards. And they both had a family connection to Manhattan Beach, Calif. Upon further investigation, they discovered that they were second cousins!

Bryon remembers, "She was just so nice. I brought her over to the house to meet my wife. She has become part of the family." They have shared dinners, old family photographs and genealogy as well as a lot of time at the bridge table.

Both acknowledge that the game has enriched their lives in more ways than one. Not only has it provided constant mental challenge, but they have found a welcoming bridge family in their adopted town and an invaluable Van Fleet connection.

And like so many of us newcomers to the club, they credit the genial atmosphere at Heart of the Valley for making duplicate fun — and for bringing us back to the table week after week.



Eugene/Springfield



By John Lean

www.emeraldbridgeclub.org

Rivalry sends EBC group to Corvallis

There were great performances by several locals in the Seaside regional. **Jeff Taylor** garnered over 100 masterpoints. **Harriett Kessinger** and **Terry Nagel** won two knockouts and finished third in another. Their teammates were **Ralph Zack** and **Bing Kibbey** in one KO, **Vicky Fine** and **Wendy Saville** in a second, and **Steve Pessin** and **Ginny Stark** in a third.

Lots of others did well but it would be remiss if we did not acknowledge the nice win by **Mary Hanson** and **Lona Wilken** in a seven-table 99er event.

The EBC regulars took on the northerners in the annual bloodless conflict dubbed the Civil War in October. Passions can run high, but cordiality is preserved by friendliness at the table, good bridge and splendid food. The top winners of the 20-table game were Duck pair Steve Pessin and Ginny Stark. The Ducks also won the stratified categories A and B, ceding C to the Beavers. Somehow, the Beavers claimed overall victory! Still, the stage is set for a great rematch, and we are looking forward to it.

The annual election party at Shadow Hills is not that far off. This means that is time to give some thought to running for one of the positions on the board. This year's rotation has five positions open. While the time commitment is not excessive, it is worth noting that this is a *working* board and not just a *sitting* board. The future of club bridge in our area, under attack from online games, depends on a strong and active board to promote and preserve bridge played the way we like it. This is a means to give back to the local bridge community.

Don Marsh gave a talk at the Eugene regional on "How to deal with those bullies at the table." This was directed primarily at newer players who sometimes are not always aware of their rights and how to best protect them. The bottom line is to always feel free to call the director if something feels uncomfortable. The directors are there to ensure that the game is smoothly run and that zero tolerance for unacceptable behavior is enforced.

Speaking of directors, once again it seems appropriate to acknowledge the work of these people. We are blessed with high quality, caring, conscientious and competent directors. Their task is a demanding one. They deserve our thanks and moral support for a difficult job well done.

Eureka

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frequently including a hot dish as well as multiple side dishes. One could look far and wide without finding a warm meal for that price, especially one which includes hours of entertainment. We have heard that many clubs are charging \$10, so we probably are still behind the times.

We are happy to see **Pat Toy** back again, after the loss of her husband, **David**. One of the aspects of bridge is that it allows you to forget your troubles for a few hours and worry about trivia for a change, such as: Is the king onside? Will trumps split? I hope that bridge gives you some respite as well.

NLM unit game is a hit; club moves game time

So far, so good. That's the early assessment for two innovations being implemented by Unit 490 and the Salem Bridge Club.

The unit has introduced a non-Life Master side game at its monthly first Sunday sessions. Newer players play the same hands as the more experienced group, thus allowing them to compare how they did without having to compete with the A folks. This side game began in August, and players at both levels are ecstatic.

Salem Bridge Club, meanwhile, is changing the starting time for its long-running Friday afternoon session from 12:30 to noon. Why? It's a traffic issue.

The time change allows the game to end 30 minutes earlier, around 3:30, enabling players who live either in South Salem or on the west side of the Willamette River to get ahead of the brutal rush hour traffic that occurs weekdays from 4 to 6 p.m. There is only one bridge crossing the river in Salem, and traffic ties up pretty good at that time of day.

We welcome folks new to the unit. New ACBL members include Joanne Benkstein, Shirley Crenshaw, Allison Drew and Ben Reynolds, all of McMinnville; and Terry Hart of Salem. New to Salem are John Chi, formerly of Pittsburgh and Jack Wetherson from Florida.

We mourn the passing of Life Master **John Westine** on Oct. 11. He was 76.

Big game: On Aug. 18, **Susan Palmer** and **Claudine Lake** scored 74.31% at a Salem Bridge Club 12-table session.



John Westine

Promotions

Seventeen Unit 490 members have advanced in rank. They include Club Masters Terry Hart, Stephen Jackson, Emily Reynolds, Rachel Frame, Kathleen McCrossin, Elisabeth Perchellet, Karen Crooch and Doug Reed; Sectional Masters Claudia Burton, Bill Cobb and Marion Hull; Regional Masters George Foust, Necia Hasbrook and Irma Jean McKinney; NABC Masters Don Pitt and Susan



Salem



By Tom McGuire

www.salembridgeclub.org

Bradford; and Gold Life Master Lee Hanson.

Tournament winners

Eugene Regional — **Mike Levy** teamed with others was first in two KOs; **Marion Hull** and **Emily Reynolds** won flight C in a 299ers game; Emily Reynolds and **Angel Amanza** won flight C in a 299er pairs and a side game; **Randy Naef** and **Mike Green** with two others won a KO.

Vancouver Sectional — **J.P. & Elisabeth Perchellet** won flight C in a 299er Pairs.

Portland Sectional — **Diane French** and **Terry Hart** won flight C, NLM Pairs.

Seaside Regional — **Jim Boylan** and **Ron Hval** tied in flight C, 299er Pairs; **Stephen** and **Susan Jackson**, first in flight C, 99er pairs; **Mike Levy** and others won two Swiss team events; **Don Pitt** and **Glenda Fleming** took flight B in a Gold Pairs; **Garry Lowe** and others won a compact KO; Naef, on two different teams, won flight B in two Swiss events.

Unit President **Shain Oleson** holds a comfortable lead in the Kathryn Lewis Memorial Award for the most masterpoints won by members in unit games per year. Through games in October, he leads **Tom McGuire**, 23.49 to 20.31. In third is **Randy Jordan** with 17.86 points.

There is an interesting tidbit from this contest: **Irva Neyhart** and **Brian Breckenridge** of Corvallis and Unit 477 have accumulated 20.91 and 18.50 points in Unit 490 games so far this year.

OK, gang, this is it for ye olde scribe. **Kevin Kacmarynski** is volunteering to try his hand at documenting the goings-on in the far-flung Unit 490, beginning with the next edition of The Trumpet.

Results

Unit Game, Aug. 6 — 1A: Shirley Scofield — Norma Frechin, 2A: Zina Galaka — Susan Palmer.

Unit Game, Aug. 16 — 1A: Brian Breckenridge — Irva Neyhart, 2A/1B: Judy Lathrop — Don Brockhaus.

Unit Game, Sept. 20 — 1A/1B: Shain Oleson — Jerry Gordon, 2A: Brian Breckenridge — Irva Neyhart.

Unit Game, Oct. 1 — 1A: Zina Galaka — Jane (Perry) Drevo, 2A: Tom McGuire — Norma Stofel.

Unit Game, Oct. 18 — 1A: Shain Oleson — Jerry Gordon, 2A: Brian Breckenridge — Irva Neyhart.

gonna happen. However, directors were provided an official training.

Thanks to **Ian Kirk**, director; **Liz Fullerton**, tournament director; and **Vicki Setzer**, partnership desk, for their good work on our October NLM sectional.

Perils of the Pro-Am Games

By Diane French

Every year or so we have a Pro-Am game so the ams (such as me) can learn from the pros in our bridge club. I sign up hoping to learn a few tricks and help my pro get a really high score for the day.



Diane French

participated in a recent Pro-Am offering at the Salem Bridge Club. She tells us about her experience.

The good news: During the course of the game I make a few of the bids correctly — just not all of them.

The fun really begins on the last round. On the first board, my partner bids 1♠. I look at my hand and see one spade, five hearts and some other cards, and some points. So I conclude, perhaps too obviously, that she really has spades.

Did I mention I have only one spade? Think about this: What do I table for a bid? I put down the 2♣ card. Two seconds later I realize my mistake, but it is too late to change the call.

Right now I want my chair and me to disappear into the floor. No one saves me, we are in 2♣ and I am the dummy — literally. I own up and mumble that I misbid.

My partner arches her eyebrows but, thankfully, doesn't throw up her hands in despair. She smiles and says we can make this work. An opponent leers wolfishly and says, "Well, your one spade is a king."

We go down two. My partner deserves an award for playing with me and all the pros get thank-yous from everyone for signing up to play with the ams. However, if I do this again, I am seriously thinking of strong liquid fortification before we start.



Janie Percy

Janie Percy has about wrapped up the title of the most club masterpoints earned for the year, with closest competitor **Polly Bullert** earning about 40% fewer. On the other hand, there are plenty breathing down Polly's neck for second place.

Vancouver

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New Bridgemate scoring pads are now being used in the clubs. Train first? Nah! That's like a guy asking for directions. Not

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Vancouver Bridge Club

Unit 452

Non-Life Master Sectional Jan 13-14, 2018

Saturday, 10 a.m.: Single session pairs (stratified)
Saturday, 3 p.m.: Single session pairs (stratified)
Sunday, 10 a.m. & TBA: Two session Swiss Teams (stratified)

Stratifications:

0-500 NLM: A=300-500; B=100-300; C=0-100

Strats are based on the average masterpoint holding of the pair or team.



Fees: \$9 per player per session
 Unpaid and non-ACBL members pay \$3 more per session
 Sunday lunch: \$5 includes sandwich and salad



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Audrey Grant's latest course!

Five Tips to Simplify Defense With the Weakest Hand at the Table

Date: Tuesday, Feb. 20
Time: 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Cost: \$20 (includes Audrey Grant's newest book - a \$10 value!)
Place: Oregon Trail Regional, Vancouver, Wash.

Presented by
Denise Hoffman
 Audrey Grant's
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Often, we find ourselves on defense with zero to almost no high card points. This course will teach you how those weak hands can hold the keys to setting the opponents' contracts. Recommended for beginner and intermediate players.

To register, send your name, address, phone number, email and a check for \$20 payable to **ACBL District 20** (by Feb. 6) to:
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ACBL District 20 Grand National Teams 2018 Finals

Win a trip to the summer NABCs in Atlanta, Georgia!
 Play in the D20 GNT Finals online. Winning teams in each of the four flights are eligible to advance and receive a subsidy of \$1,800 or more.

Club qualifying going on now!

Eligible players are members in good standing from District 20 who played in GNT club qualifying games (**club qualifying is September-February**). Players can form new teams with other eligible participants. Exemptions from club qualifying are available in case of hardship - consult with the North American Events Coordinator at the contact information below.

District Finals

All matches will be played online with BBO at locations throughout D20. Pre-qualification is required; **registration deadline is April 21** (see conditions online for details)!

Flight	MP limits	Day and date
Championship	Unlimited	Sat-Sun, April 28-29, 2018
Flight A	Under 6000	Sat-Sun*, May 5-6*, 2018 (*if necessary)
Flight B	Under 2500	Sunday, April 29, 2018
Flight C	NLM (< 500)	Sunday, May 6, 2018

Morning sessions start at 8 a.m. in Hawaii, 11 a.m. PDT in Oregon, noon in Idaho; 2nd sessions TBA

Format: Two-session Round-Robin, Swiss, or KO (2nd day is KO in 2-day events).
Advancing: Winning teams will advance to the GNT Finals in Toronto.
Venues: Competition will take place at multiple sites all over District 20.
Awards: Gold points are given to overall placers; red points are given for match wins.
Fees: Entry fees are \$52 per team per session.

Conventions: The ACBL Mid-Chart conventions may be used in the Championship and Flight A. D20 allows Mid-Chart defenses to the opponents' 1NT openings in all events.

National Finals

Winning teams advance to the GNT National Finals against the other district finalists and receive \$1,800 travel subsidy from D20. National Finals will be held at the **Summer NABCs in Atlanta, GA**, starting on Wednesday, July 25, 2018. All four flights are two-session Swiss Qualifying, followed by all-day knockout matches. Visit the ACBL website for schedule details: http://www.acbl.org/tournaments_page/nabcs/upcoming-nabcs/

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Look on the district website for additional details, including the D20 Conditions of Contest: http://www.acbl20.org/NA_Events/GNT.html

Or contact the Coordinator, Hal Montgomery, at dewitt@imaginata.com, phone (503) 583-3717.

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THE IN! CROWD

For Intermediate/Newcomer Players

Sherry Squirrel visits the partnership desk

Sherry Squirrel is pacing and worrying about a big regional that she really wants to attend. But her favorite partner is unable to make it.

[Sherry's point of view]

To go to Seaside or not to go, that is the question. I do hate to disappoint partners, and I try so hard to make my contracts. I know it is just a game, but they are so very serious at those regionals. But how do I move to the next level if I do not get over this fear? Nudged by my mentor, Wise Owl, I decide to enjoy Seaside. I will show that owl that I can be as fearless as she is.

So I pick up:

♠8 ♥J 10 9 4 ♦J 9 ♣K J 10 9 6 4.



Margi Redden
 D20 I/N Coordinator

It is the second round and I am so excited that I open 2♣. Oops, needless to say, I am chagrined and cannot figure out how to stop partner from getting excited. The opponents are bidding spades and she is void in spades. Partner has the ♣AQ5 of clubs and I made 5♣.

Unfortunately, I was playing in 6♣ (thankfully not doubled). The opponents collected their ♥AK and I took all the rest.

That was my only horrific error of that round and we earned 53% and a few masterpoints.

The next round was with another new partner. I do love that Seaside partnership

desk. They work so hard. My hand is:

♠8 4 ♥J 10 ♦J 9 3 ♣A Q J 10 6 3.

Opp	Partner	2	Opp	Sherry
1♦	Pass	INT	2♣	
Pass	2♦	Pass	?	

Well I guessed I had already overbid my hand and I liked her diamond call so I passed. Oops, I guess she didn't have diamonds. That was supposed to be a cuebid supporting my clubs. We still had a fine round, scored 50%.

Undaunted, I play with another new partner and decide to try out 2/1 with weak jump shifts. I pick up this hand:

♠— ♥J ♦A 10 9 3 ♣A K Q J 6 5 4 3.

And what do you do when partner opens 1♦ with this hand? Here was our auction:

Opp	Partner	3	Opp	Sherry
Pass	1♦	Pass	2♣ ⁽¹⁾	
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♦ ⁽²⁾	
Pass	Pass!			

1. Game forcing.
2. Still forcing.

Partner made five diamonds. Guess I am not the only one who makes errors at the table.

After a break, I'm back at the table. In fourth seat, I hold:

♠6 5 ♥A 9 6 5 ♦K ♣K 8 6 5 4 3.

Opp	Partner	3	Opp	Sherry
1♦	1♠	Dbl	Pass	
INT	Pass	Pass	?	

I passed at my first turn, thinking maybe they will make it into one of my suits.

When the auction came back around to me, I got a second chance to bid 2♣, but I should have bid 2♣ originally. Next time I'll be more aggressive. A negative double only promises the other major. It only implies the minor. This was my cowardly lion pass.

Screwing up on systems is the most annoying, because if you had just discussed it, you would not make the error. And when you are playing with a new partner it is hard to discuss all ramifications. I was really looking forward to my Sunday game with a fine player.

On an early hand, I hold:

♠9 5 ♥Q 8 5 3 ♦A 9 7 3 ♣Q 10 4.

Opp	Partner	4	Opp	Sherry
Pass	2♦ ⁽¹⁾	INT	Pass	?

1. 5-5 majors.

I like diamonds, so I pass and partner buys it. Alas, this is partners' hand:

♠A K Q J 5 ♥A J 10 9 8 5 3 ♦9 ♣—.

He got to play our 4-1 fit while it makes 6♥. Apparently we were playing systems on over INT in all seats. I thought it was only the direct seat. I wish I had supported his diamonds so he could correct.

Seaside was fun. I learned about making mistakes and recovering, and not letting errors affect the next board. Oh, my gosh, am I progressing in this game? I went without partners. It was terrifying, but seemed to improve my game.

I made mistakes and lived to tell the tale!

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65TH HAWAIIAN REGIONAL

Jan. 8-14, 2018

Monday, January 8

Aloha Bracketed KO Teams (1st session) 7 p.m.
 Aloha Charity Pairs (stratified) 7 p.m.

Tuesday, January 9

Aloha Bracketed KO Teams (2nd session) 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Side Game Series (stratified, 1st of 5) . . . 9:30 a.m.
 Aloha Bracketed KO Teams (3rd session) 1:30 p.m.
 OAHU Bracketed KO Teams (1st session) 1:30 p.m.
 Stratified Open Pairs (2000+, 0 - 2000) 1:30 & 7 p.m.
Patsy Lum Gold Point Pairs (300-750, 0-300) . 1:30 & 7 p.m.
 Afternoon Side Game Series (stratified, 1st of 5) . . 1:30 p.m.
 Aloha Bracketed KO Teams (final session) 7 p.m.
 OAHU Bracketed KO Teams (2nd session) 7 p.m.
 Evening Side Game Series (stratified, 1st of 4) 7 p.m.
 Single Session Stratified Swiss Teams 7 p.m.

Wednesday, January 10

3-Session AM Bracketed KO Teams (1st sess.) . . . 9:30 a.m.
Oded Stitt Gold Point Pairs (1st sess., cont. Thu.) . 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Side Game Series (stratified, 2nd of 5) . . . 9:30 a.m.
 OAHU Bracketed KO Teams (3rd session) 1:30 p.m.
 Afternoon Side Game Series (stratified, 2nd of 5) . 1:30 p.m.
 Stratified Open Swiss Teams (20 VP) 1:30 & 7 p.m.
 Stratified Senior Swiss Teams (20 VP) 1:30 & 7 p.m.
 OAHU Bracketed KO Teams (final session) 7 p.m.

Thursday, January 11

3-Session AM Bracketed KO Teams (2nd session) . . . 9:30 a.m.
Oded Stitt Gold Point Pairs (final sess., started Wed.) . 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Side Game Series (stratified, 3rd of 5) 9:30 a.m.
 Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 & 7 p.m.
 MAUI Compact Bracketed KOs (1st/2nd session) 1:30 p.m.
 Afternoon Side Game Series (stratified, 3rd of 5) 1:30 p.m.
 Evening Side Game Series (stratified, 3rd of 4) 7 p.m.
 Single Session Stratified Swiss Teams 7 p.m.
 MAUI Compact Bracketed KOs (3rd/final session) 7 p.m.

Friday, January 12

3-Session AM Bracketed KO Teams (final session) . . . 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Side Game Series (stratified, 4th of 5) 9:30 a.m.
 KAUAI Compact Bracketed KOs (1st/2nd session) 9:30 a.m.
Jim Hopkins Open Pairs (2000+, 0-2000) 1:30 & 7 p.m.
Jim Bishop Gold Point Pairs (300-750, 0-300) . . . 1:30 & 7 p.m.
 HAWAII Bracketed KO Teams (1st session) 1:30 p.m.
 Afternoon Side Game Series (stratified, 4th of 5) 1:30 p.m.
 Evening Side Game Series (stratified, 4th of 4) 7 p.m.
 HAWAII Bracketed KO Teams (2nd session) 7 p.m.
 Single Session Stratified Swiss Teams 7 p.m.

Saturday, January 13

KAUAI Compact Bracketed KOs (3rd/final session) . . . 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Side Game Series (stratified, 5th of 5) 9:30 a.m.
 Stratified Open Pairs 9:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
 MOLOKAI Compact Bracketed KOs (1st/2nd session) . . 1:30 p.m.
 Afternoon Side Game Series (stratified, 5th of 5) 1:30 p.m.
 HAWAII Bracketed KO Teams (3rd session) 1:30 p.m.
 Evening Side Game Series (stratified, 5th of 5) 7 p.m.
 HAWAII Bracketed KO Teams (final session) 7 p.m.
 MOLOKAI Compact Bracketed KOs (3rd/final session) . . 7 p.m.
 Single Session Stratified Swiss Teams 7 p.m.

Sunday, January 14

Stratified Swiss Teams (20 VP) 9:30 a.m. & TBA
 Flight A/X plays separately: A = 3000+, X = 0 - 3000
 Stratified B/C/D: B = 750 - 2000, C = 300 - 750, D = 0 - 300
All Swiss play finished by 5:30 p.m.!
 Fast Open Pairs 9:30 a.m. & TBA

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ENTRY FEES

Regional Events: \$14 / session (plus \$4 per session for non-members & unpaid ACBL members)

Strat A = 2000+ , Strat B = 750 - 2000 , Strat C = 0 - 750

Stratified events based on average MPs

Single-session newcomer stratified pairs events held each session: 0 - 20 / 50 / 100 / 300 MPs

KO events with only one bracket may be handicapped.

POINT AWARDS

Flt/Strat A & B (multisession) overall & section tops, Side Game Series overall & A section tops (must play 2 or more sessions in same event) are Gold. All other awards are Red.

NO SMOKING TOURNAMENT - Breaks will be provided. Alcoholic beverages are NOT ALLOWED in the playing area.

Join us for entertaining presentations by various speakers between sessions!

DRESS CODE

No bare feet allowed. Bermuda shorts OK, but no short shorts



Ask John

Retired national tournament director John Ashton answers your questions on play, bidding or directing.

Vul: E/W

♠K 10 6 ♠Q 8
 ♥10 8 6 3 ♥K Q 7 5
 ♦K 9 7 3 2 ♦A 10 8 5
 ♣6 ♣A 9 5

West North East South
 Pass Pass INT Pass
 ?

Dear John,

Following two passes, East opens 1NT, followed by three passes. After a club opening lead, which sets up five club tricks (clubs were 6-3), and a trick each in diamonds, spades and hearts, the contract was down two tricks. My question: Should West consider a 2♣ (Garbage) Stayman bid with this hand or pass? The hand makes 10 tricks in hearts.

— Baffled in Bend

Dear BIB,

A Stayman inquiry by West is imaginative and has the potential for success, but is far from a "Get Out of Jail Free" card. I would first want to feel that partner would be comfortable in a precarious contract. If he has the dreaded 3=3=2=5 distribution, he will be in a seven-card diamond fit. Better scoring if not quite as hair-raising would be 2♠, where club ruffs in the short hand might deliver a reasonable result.

Of course, partner may have four or five reasonable to good clubs where 1NT is a perfectly good and safe contract. Another negative is that North might be able to double 2♣, which could activate opposition interference that propels them to a safe contract in 3♣ or ensures that they attack the suit West fears most.

I enjoy watching partner manage a challenging contract and think the upside is substantial, so Stayman appeals to me.

♣♦♥♦♠♠♦♥♦♠

Dear John,

What's with "delayed alerts?" I know a direct splinter is an alert but why isn't 1♦ - (Pass) - 1♠ - (Pass) - 4♣? And when do I say what it is?

— It Makes No Sense

Dear Logical One,

Years ago, the rule makers in Horn Lake (or, more likely, Memphis back then) decided that, once the auction reached the second round and got higher than 3NT, alerts had the undesired potential to transmit unauthorized information to partner and would be less helpful to the opponents. New approaches like Kickback, Minorwood, etc., were gaining favor and a decision to enter the auction by a member of the opposing side at that elevated level would rarely be affected.

That decision spawned a torrent of confusion and, frankly, does seem a bit illogical. It is the obligation of the side employing a delayed alert to speak up at the conclusion of the auction and before the opening lead.

♠♦♥♦♠♠♦♥♦♠

♠— ♥KQJ1087543 ♦62 ♣A3

Dear John,

Is it legal to open 2♣ with this? Must I have defensive values in order to open 2♣? Does it matter that I have nine tricks but not necessarily 8½ quick tricks?

— No 97-pound Weakling

Dear No Sand Kicked in Your Eyes,

Fast research on the ACBL website led me to the following rule: "ACBL regulations ... do not permit players to use a 2♣ opening with hands that contain long, strong suit(s), but that have little

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TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

DISTRICT 20 REGIONALS & SECTIONALS

DECEMBER 2017

4 - 10 Western Conference STaC Local clubs
 9 - 10 North American Pairs Online at various locations

JANUARY 2018

Jan 8 - 14 **HAWAII REGIONAL** **Hawaii Prince Hotel Waikiki, Honolulu HI**
 13 - 14 Vancouver Winter NLM Sectional Vancouver Bridge Club, Vancouver WA
 15 - 21 D20 Pacific States STaC Local clubs
 26 - 28 Garden Isle Sectional Sun Village Recreation Center, Lihue HI
 26 - 28 Portland Winter KO Sectional Montgomery Park, Portland OR

FEBRUARY 2018

9 - 11 Boise Sweetheart Sectional Wyndham Garden Hotel, Boise ID
 9 - 11 Maui Snowbird Sectional Maui Bridge Club, Kihei HI
Feb 19 - 25 **OREGON TRAIL REGIONAL** **Vancouver Hilton, Vancouver WA**
 23 - 25 Big Island Sectional Mauna Lani Christian Academy, Kailua Kona HI

MARCH 2018

2 - 4 Honolulu Sectional Ala Wai Clubhouse, Honolulu HI
 16 - 18 Chico Sectional Eagles Hall, Chico CA
 16 - 18 Heart of the Valley Sectional Linn County Fair/Expo, Albany OR
 23 - 25 Ontario Sectional Four Rivers Cultural Center, Ontario OR
 23 - 25 Rogue Valley Spring Sectional Dan Voorhies Bridge Center, Phoenix OR

APRIL 2018

13 - 15 Redding Spring Sectional Win-River Hotel & Casino, Redding CA
 14 - 15 Eugene I/N Sectional Emerald Bridge Club, Springfield OR
 14 - 15 Vancouver Spring Sectional Washington School for the Deaf, Vancouver WA
 20 - 22 Seaside Sectional Seaside Convention Center, Seaside OR
20 - 22 **Golden Clam I/N Regional** **Seaside Convention Center, Seaside OR**
 28 - 29 Grand National Teams - Open & B Online at various locations

MAY 2018

5 - 6 Grand National Teams - A & C Online at various locations
 7 - 13 Western Conference STaC Local clubs
May 14 - 20 **HIGH DESERT REGIONAL** **Sunriver Resort, Sunriver OR**
 18 - 20 Honolulu Sectional Ala Wai Clubhouse, Honolulu HI

JUNE 2018

1 - 3 Eugene Sectional Morse Event Center, Eugene OR
 8 - 10 Portland Sectional Montgomery Park, Portland OR
 15 - 17 Klamath Falls Sectional Elmer's Restaurant, Klamath Falls OR

JULY 2018

13 - 15 Honolulu Sectional Ala Wai Clubhouse, Honolulu HI

AUGUST 2018

Aug 6 - 12 **GREAT POTATO REGIONAL** **Wyndham Garden Hotel, Boise ID**
 17 - 19 Vancouver Sectional Washington School for the Deaf, Vancouver WA

SEPTEMBER 2018

7 - 9 Portland Sectional Montgomery Park, Portland OR
 14 - 16 Boise Harvest Sectional Wyndham Garden Hotel, Boise ID
 14 - 16 Honolulu Sectional Ala Wai Clubhouse, Honolulu HI
 14 - 16 Rogue Valley Sectional Dan Voorhies Bridge Center, Phoenix OR

TOURNAMENTS IN NEIGHBORING DISTRICTS

DISTRICT 19: www.d19.org

Feb. 9-11 Bellingham Sectional WA
 Feb. 16-18 Seattle Sectional, Bellevue WA
 March 23-25 Seattle Sectional, Everett WA
 March 23-25 Victoria Sectional, Sidney BC
 April 2-8 **Vancouver Regional**, Burnaby BC
 June 11-17 **Penticton Regional** BC

DISTRICT 21: www.d21acbl.com

Jan. 1-7 **Monterey Regional** CA
 Jan. 13-14 San Francisco Sectional CA
 Jan. 27-28 Livermore Sectional CA
 Feb. 10-11 Sacramento I/N Sectional CA
 Feb. 16-19 Fresno Sectional CA
 March 17-18 Santa Rosa Sectional CA
 April 9-15 **Modesto Regional** CA
 April 18-22 Reno Sectional, Sparks NV
 May 28-June 3 **Sacramento Regional** CA

DISTRICT 18: www.wasumi.org

Jan. 12-14 Missoula Sectional MT
 Jan. 19-21 Salt Lake City Sectional UT
 March 16-18 Salt Lake City Sectional UT

April 16-22 **Jackpot Regional** NV
 May 14-20 **Moose Jaw Regional** SK
 July 16-22 **Calgary Regional** AB

DISTRICT 17: www.d17acbl.org

Jan. 4-7 Tucson Sectional AZ
 Jan. 12-15 Las Vegas Glam Slam (Sin City Gay Bridge) NV
 Jan. 15-21 **Albuquerque Regional** NM
 Jan. 25-28 Yuma Sectional AZ
 Feb. 16-19 Scottsdale Sectional AZ
 Feb. 26-March 4 **Tucson Senior Regional** AZ
 March 15-17 Sedona Sectional AZ
 April 27-29 **Scottsdale I/N Regional** AZ
 May 22-28 **Denver Regional** CO

DISTRICT 22: acbl.district22.com/d22

Dec. 11-17 **Palm Springs Regional**, Rancho Mirage CA
 Jan. 13-14 San Juan Capistrano Sectional CA
 Jan. 18-21 **Palm Springs I/N Regional** CA
 Jan. 29-Feb. 4 **Riverside Regional** CA
 Feb. 16-18 Palm Springs Sectional CA
 Feb. 23-25 San Luis Obispo Sectional CA
 March 26-April 1 **San Diego Regional** CA

NORTH AMERICAN BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

March 8-18 **Spring 2018** **Marriott, Philadelphia PA**
July 26 - Aug. 5 **Summer 2018** **Marriott Marquis, Atlanta GA**
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