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Bridge Across the District

Winter 2019-20

Rowe wins board seat

By Chip Dombrowski
The Trumpet

Laurie Rowe was elected to represent District 20 on the ACBL board of directors, defeating Merlin Vilhauer, who has served on the board for nine

years. Rowe, who is currently district president, will be leaving that role about two months after her term begins in January.

"I'm excited and looking forward to representing District 20 at the board meeting," Rowe said. As district president, Rowe fo-

cused on budget matters, appointing committees to examine ways to reduce expenses and increase revenue. She plans to bring that focus to the ACBL board.

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Laurie Rowe was elected as district director.

Seaside holds the 7 spot

Table count is 2,541

The newly remodeled convention center in Seaside was just finished in time for D20's most popular regional in October.

The space was more or less the same, but improvements were plentiful. Most noticeably, the restrooms were moved, allowing the east side of the building to be opened up. The stairs were updated and the area was airy and well-lit. Selling entries in the hallway made for awkward traffic patterns.

Down just 4.5%, the regional held steady as the seventh largest in North America with 2,541 tables. Ahead were the usual suspects (Gatlinburg, Palm Springs, Penticton, Houston and Sarasota) plus Charlotte, which gained 4%. The other annual regionals in the top 10 dropped an average of 6.5% (See chart, page 11).

The schedule was packed with multiple events that were somewhat difficult to locate, but once everyone got the hang of where things were it all worked out.

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Costs issue is on meeting agenda

Boise 2020 will have a variable schedule

This will be my last message as president since my term expires in February. I've enjoyed being president and believe your board will continue to look at ways of reducing costs while maintaining great regionals. There are committees working on regional times and cost reductions. It is my hope that some decisions will be made at our February meeting.



Laurie Rowe
D20 President

As most of you know, I was elected to represent District 20 on the ACBL board. I will keep our fellow D20 members informed of what's happening on the national

scene, and work to support our local clubs. I missed the Seaside regional and hear it was a great tournament. I enjoyed the birth of my daughter's first child and took at 6 a.m. shift of minding a fussy baby.

We are trying something new for the Boise tournament, now named Treasure Valley Regional, held at the

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Home Youth & Resource Center in Salem receives contributions from Shain Oleson and the Salem Bridge Club.

'Tis the season for giving back

What district players, clubs do for charitable organizations

By Jen Smith
The Trumpet

This winter, we're celebrating bridge players who go the extra mile by giving back to deserving organizations — and encouraging their fellow club mates to do the same. See which clubs are setting a charitable example and spreading good vibes to all.

David Green, Ace of Clubs

David Green, representing the Ace of Clubs in Lake Oswego, Ore., has been supporting Sherwood 4 Kids Sake (S4KS) for the last eight years. His daughter Meredith started the charity to meet needs of children in the Sherwood school district in order to be successful in school.

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Mark Tolliver moves to South America

By Chip Dombrowski
The Trumpet

The Portland area said goodbye — at least for a while — to one of District 20's top bridge players when Mark Tolliver moved to Colombia in November.

Soon after arriving in Portland in

1985, Tolliver established his partnership with Marc Zwerling. They were second in the 1991 Blue Ribbon Pairs, and in 2015 they represented the USA in the world championships, placing fourth in the senior teams. They've been on District 20's GNT Championship Flight team 13 times since 1997, most recently this year.

But Tolliver has been playing less in recent years in preparation for the big move to another continent.

It was at the world championships in 2014 (Sanya, China) and 2015 (Chennai, India) that Tolliver's interest in South America was sparked.

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Mark Tolliver

Make plans for Oregon Trail Regional

The Oregon Trail Regional in Vancouver, Wash., will begin on Monday, Feb. 17. The schedule and flyer are available online and also printed on page 9.

If you plan to stay on-site, book your rooms early.



Amy Casanova
Tournament Manager

The Hilton in downtown Vancouver is really quite lovely and the rooms are spacious and well-appointed. Even if you're local, consider a stay-cation and avoid the traffic. The quality and number of cafes, restaurants, coffeehouses, and pubs has really exploded in recent years, so if it's been a while since you visited Vancouver, come see what's new.

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Bridge faces customer service challenge

This issue marks the end of the fourth year I've been on the Trumpet staff. The Oregon Trail Regional in February of 2016 was my first district board meeting. It's been very interesting to attend the meetings and listen to the reasons why certain decisions are made or not made.

I've developed more of an understanding of the board and its role and I'm grateful for that. I think that, thanks to this newspaper, there is transparency and a means of communication for the constituents of the district.

It's also the most expensive thing in the budget, and newspapers everywhere aren't exactly flourishing. We emailed a link to the last issue and many were surprised to see it online, where it actually has been for some time via the district website. Yes, we've had one of those for a long time too.

I always feel a little defensive during the meetings when the budget is discussed and we examine The Trumpet and its costs. I would be sad to see the print format go away. Most of the bridge players do have smart phones now and home computers but there is still a disconnect with electronic communication. It's also nice to have a paper to read at tournaments when you aren't supposed to have your phone out in view.

In the last four years, some things have

changed while much has stayed the same. There are many intelligent, hardworking volunteers who are keeping bridge, and bridge tournaments, alive. The board is not burying its head in the sand and plunging ahead, ignoring the financial warning signs: an aging bridge population, rising expenses, logistical issues.

The ACBL and, correspondingly, the board and local clubs, are basically customer service endeavors. My employment background is in the hospitality industry, which also is customer-service driven. I often notice the similarities. The bridge clubs do an amazing job of creating a welcoming, nurturing space for all players. ACBL president **Russ Jones** referred to clubs as "the front door" of the ACBL. Help keep your local club going strong.

How do we keep all of the customers satisfied at the tournaments? Some of you want to play morning/afternoon games. Some of you like the afternoon/evening format. There are pair and team events, and at a big tournament there could be as many as four or five separate pair games going on.

People like choices, and appreciate being catered to. But I think too many options can lead to a cannibalizing effect. How do we put on sectionals, regionals,

nationals, STaCs, Grand National events, and support everyday club bridge games?

I just ask questions. I have no answers. There is a lot of fresh energy out there and I am sure that in a short amount of time new perspectives will emerge and trends will change. Hopefully, the old guard will still be around to provide historical context and words of wisdom. It's a nice balance of "in the old days ..." and "what if we tried this?"

Soon we will have a new D20 president. Thank you to **Laurie Rowe** for her service to the board and good luck at the national level. And thank you to **Merlin Vilhauer** for years of service.

And, wow, **Mark Tolliver** is moving to another continent. I moved less than two miles away this summer and was totally stressed out! Changing and moving out of your comfort zone can be intimidating and overwhelming. Mark is doing it on a grand scale and it's very inspiring.

As I mentioned above, and in previous columns, giving new players choices of limited points games is a great idea. But don't forget to play in an open game once in a while. Tolerate the discomfort, and remember you can always go back to your favorite limited game next time. Your comfort zone is much closer than South America.

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Amy Casanova
Managing Editor

The horror of having to make decisions

One day at ACBL headquarters they were filming some videos for bridge marketing. They needed several extras to appear in some background footage, and a call was put out for volunteers.

My first thought was to question whether any leading roles were available in this picture. Why should I be an extra when I can be a star?

But alas the videos were focused on interviews with new players. And while I sometimes act like one — like the other day when I went down two in a cold 4♥ — I was unqualified. So reluctantly I agreed to be an extra.

The extras were supposed to sit at tables and appear to be playing bridge. While the handful of bridge players in the building were encouraged to participate, so were the majority of employees who don't play. They suggested we just throw cards in no real organized fashion, because the target audience — people who have no knowledge of the game — would never know the difference.

I was seated at a table with an expert, a novice who rarely plays but is quite competent and a complete newbie who had no inkling of anything related to bridge, who would be my partner. I deal first and this is my hand:

♠9 ♥4 2 ♦KJ 9 7 6 5 3 ♣Q 10 6.

I open 3♦ and LHO, the expert, overcalls 3NT, which is passed out. My partner was advised to lead a diamond, and her reaction made clear she didn't have any. So she led the ♣2. This was dummy:

♠A Q 8 3 2 ♥K 9 7 6 ♦10 8 ♣8 4.

I put up the ♣Q and am surprised when it holds — and even more surprised to see that declarer has dropped the ♣J under it. Why in the world would he do that?

When I return the ♣10, declarer discards a diamond. My partner has seven clubs! And she led a seventh-best ♣2! The ♣10 holds and I continue with the ♣6, hoping my partner realizes she needs to overtake it. She does, with the ♣9.

She then stares at her hand in agony

and eventually pulls out the ♣7, looking around the table in bewilderment as no one is able to follow suit. She then waits. "You're on lead," declarer reminds her. "And you're going to be as long as you keep leading clubs," I helpfully added.

To think, your very first hand of bridge, you've never had even a preface of a lesson, and you find the lead that sets 3NT down three! How wonderful it must be to hold all those cashing tricks. Easy game!

I thought there was no other possible interpretation of my comment other than "cash your last three clubs." Alas, what my partner instead heard was, "You can end this torture of having to choose which card to lead next by playing something other than a club." So she led a heart. Declarer, grumbling that he should have been in 6♠, took the rest of the tricks — making three.

It was a shocking glimpse of how things look from someone else's perspective. Imagine thinking conceding a contract that had no play was easier than deciding what order to play the ♣A K 5!

We really don't know what goes on in the minds of our new players. At least I sure don't.

I've been giving lessons to another brand-new player, a friend in New York, over the phone on BBO. At the start of every hand, I ask him to tell his shape and count his high-card points. He gets the shape right but without fail miscounts his points. He's almost always one off, occasionally more. It was at least a dozen hands before he got one right.

IBPA awards

You've probably never heard of it, but there's an organization called the International Bridge Press Association. They have annual awards.

I think it would be terrific if there was an organization dedicated to recognizing all the kinds of quality journalism that bridge publications produce. Looking back on what we published in 2018, if there was an award for feature writing, I'd nominate our story on couples who play

together. If there was an award for newswriting, I'd nominate our story on the Carr fire. If there was an award for humor writing ... as much as I'd love to think I had something to contribute, I would certainly hope David Bird took first through 12th place with each month's installment of "Bridge with the Abbot."

Sadly, that isn't what the IBPA does. They recognize one kind of bridge writing — reports on hands played at tournaments. And the awards aren't really for the writers. They're mainly for players, to encourage them to tell us writers about the interesting hands they played, about which we'd never know. The categories are best declarer play, best defense, best bid hand, and best play by a junior.

Although there is an art to writing about how hands are played, what sets apart the articles that get considered for these awards has nothing to do with how they're written. It's all about what the players did.

An auction diagram that was published last fall in Honolulu, where I was one of the Daily Bulletin editors, was the winner of the best bid hand of the year award. And I, despite having at best marginal involvement with making sure the diagram appeared correctly on the page, was designated as the "author." Because someone had to be.

I was invited to go to the Hainan Bridge Festival in Sanya, China, coinciding with the Seaside Regional, to accept the award.

Those who are familiar with my, ahem, troubles with domestic travel immediately would be on high alert. Clearly no good could come from my boarding a plane headed to the other side of the world. It was a fiasco of epic proportions in the making. I was certain disaster would unfold, but there was a catch: You have to appear in person to accept the prize. So, I booked a ticket from Memphis to Detroit to Beijing to Sanya.

I made it as far as Detroit. Wiser heads prevailed and allowed me and my insufficient documents to go no further, and for that I thank them. Missing out on the prize was costly. But avoiding certain doom, priceless.

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Letters

Eureka Sectional is a hit

My partner and I have attended many tournaments all over California and some in Oregon and Nevada and I have never felt compelled to write a letter about our experience. But last weekend in Eureka prompted me to write this.

We were looking forward to getting away from the valley heat and the hustle and bustle associated with so many tournaments. Not only did we get fantastic weather and a totally laid-back environment, but we encountered hospitality above any we have ever experienced.

First, we were invited to a player's home for our accommodations. We had a gorgeous room with an ocean view and a marvelous hostess. Then, when we arrived at the playing site (very nice) we discovered a buffet of food that never ceased. Not your usual finger foods, but full-course meals. Finding a restaurant was totally unnecessary. Another money saver was their charge of \$10 per session.

And lastly, the thing that the locals are very proud of is a grand finale dinner on Sunday in a member's oceanside home. We were unable to attend the dinner this year, but heard great comments about what we were missing. Needless to say, we plan to go again next year and will clear our calendars to not miss the dinner

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Deaths

Sharon Cummings — 76, of Astoria OR died in September 2019.

Nancy Detwiler — 88, of Redding CA died Sept. 29, 2019.

Irene Harowitz — 94, of Seaside OR died May 3, 2019.

Mary Innes — 75, of Salem OR died May 17, 2019.

Jan Kulczyk — 76, of South Bend WA died June 25, 2019.

Rose McGuire — 77, of Salem OR died Aug. 13, 2019.

Sonya Shue — 83, of Nampa ID died June 28, 2019.

Marjorie Stober — 96, of Medford OR died Aug. 23, 2019.

Mickey Thomas — 82, of Whitmore CA died Oct. 1, 2019.



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NAP AND GNT

Flight A



Hendrik Sharples and Jay Roll

Flight B



Kevin Marnell and Ben Bomber

Flight C



Paul Walker and Ryerson Schwark



Dave Brower and Jeff McKee



Laura McKinney and Ed Parker



Jon Gassaway and Bruce Backup



Ian and Charlene Martindale



4B: Jean Johannsson and Larry Levy



3B & 3C: Roger Thomas and Mike Goffe

Letters

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on Sunday. We were lucky to find our hostess is willing to put us up again and agreed to play with us in the team event.

So, I write this to advise other tournament goers to consider going to the Eureka tournament in September next year.

Mary Mayfield
Yuba City CA

A new way to count masterpoints

All masterpoints are not equal, and the ACBL bridge rating system could better reflect this. I offered this revision some years ago, got no response, still think it could be useful. A "tournament masterpoint" ranking could be added to ACBL player data, calculated according to the following formula:

$$(4G + 3R + 2S + B)/100 = TMP$$

(G = gold, etc.), and used for stratifying and bracketing at tournaments. I bet it would increase attendance among seniors, and B and C players, by not overmatching them so much, and thus giving them a better chance to earn more masterpoints.

Robert Kroning
Seaside OR

Regionals need early start times

Q: Why is attendance at regionals dropping? A: Our bridge demographic is aging and more and more of us each year don't want to play at night. I circulated an email earlier this year to various folks in District 20 suggesting that we move to a morning/afternoon schedule for the primary events. The responses I received ran 4:1 in favor of moving to the earlier schedule.

I've voted with my feet: I played at Eugene in 2015 and 2017 but not this year; I played at Seaside in 2012, 2014, 2015, and 2016 but not since then. I played at Sunriver in 2014 and 2016 but not since. I played at Sacramento in 2015, 2016 and 2017 but not since.

So maybe I've just stopped playing regionals altogether? Nope. This year, I will have played at Riverside, Tucson, Medford and Palm Springs. That's right; I'll take two flights (and spend several hundred dollars more) to get to a venue in another state that features morning and afternoon sessions, but I won't drive even three hours to Eugene or Bend (let alone five hours to Vancouver or Seaside) where my mornings are wasted, I can't enjoy a relaxed dinner with friends (and wine!), and I don't get to bed before 11, still hyped up from the competition and unable to get to sleep before midnight without meds.

Q: Who are we accommodating to have the primary events in the afternoon and evening? A: Beats me.

Dennis Kendig
Ashland OR

Eleven pairs qualify for Columbus

By Hal Montgomery
D20 NA Events Coordinator

Recent D20 NAP finals fielded 38 pairs, one more table than last year, with 18 in A and 10 each in B and C.

Winning pairs are listed in the box at right.

The online finals were held in October at sites in all five of the states in the district, with contestants playing in Bend, Boise, Eugene, Honolulu, Nevada City, Portland, Roseburg, Seaside, Sparks and Vancouver.

The tournament was run by Mike Weber, who is so good at running online BBO events that the ACBL uses him to run its online intercollegiate championships.

After a hiccup or two on the first round as late and misnamed players were accounted for, the events ran smoothly.

Three pairs in A and four in B and C qualified to represent D20 at the Spring Nationals in Columbus, Ohio, in March. The winners earned plenty of gold points — 32 in flight A, 22.5 in B, and

NAP winners

- Flight A**
- 1 **Hendrik Sharples**, Brush Prairie WA — **Jay Roll**, Kelso WA
 - 2 **David Brower**, Portland OR — **Jeff McKee**, Banks OR
 - 3 **Charlene Martindale** — **Ian Martindale**, Boise ID
 - 4 **Amy Casanova**, Portland OR — **Paul Wrigley**, Troutdale OR

- Flight B**
- 1 **Kevin Marnell**, Portland OR — **Ben Bomber**, Vancouver WA
 - 2 **Edwin Parker** — **Laura McKinney**, Portland OR
 - 3 **Roger Thomas**, West Linn OR — **Mike Goffe**, Portland OR
 - 4 **Lawrence Levy** — **Jean Johannsson**, Portland OR
 - 5 **Alan Kosansky**, Kailua HI — **Larry Denneau Jr.**, Honolulu HI

- Flight C**
- 1 **Paul Walker**, Oregon City OR — **Ryerson Schwark**, West Linn OR
 - 2 **Jon Gassaway**, Beaverton OR — **Bruce Backup**, Portland OR
 - 3 **Roger Thomas**, West Linn OR — **Mike Goffe**, Portland OR
 - 4 **Keith Kalway**, Honolulu HI — **Sharon Sandell**, Waianae HI
 - 5 **Mark Jansa** — **Fran Henry-Jansa**, Portland OR

15 in C. The ACBL subsidizes participation in the NABC, paying \$700 to each of the first place players and \$350 to every second place player. D20 adds \$50 for second, \$250 for third and \$150 for fourth place. Because the finals are online, players can play from their home areas.

We should have more players playing. About seven years ago, the district de-

cidated to move the finals online because face-to-face participation was dropping. The district felt that contesting North American events online, travel time and money could be saved.

This year there were 12 venues where players competed online in NAP finals. Players from other areas have inquired about playing. D20 is looking for venues at clubs or players' homes in Hilo, Newport, Redding or Albany-Corvallis. If you're interested, contact me at my email address below.

GNT

Qualifying for next spring's GNT is underway. Clubs can hold qualifying games through the end of February. If you need help finding partners or teammates or venues, please email me. There are four brackets, each with opportunities to represent D20 in the Montreal NABC. There will be training sessions on how to use the new and improved BBO site at most of the D20 regionals. Talk to me at the Oregon Trail Regional in February.

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D20 STaC! All clubs within District 20 can participate December 16-22, 2019

The week between Monday, Dec. 16, and Sunday, Dec. 22, 2019, 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:

<https://cdn.acbl.org/stac/stacregistrationweb.pdf>



Coming Jan. 7-Feb. 2, 2020: Pacific States STaC!

All clubs within Districts 19 & 20 are invited to participate

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Director in Charge: Jeff Jacob



THE SECTIONAL SECTION

Upcoming sectionals

Vancouver NLM

The Vancouver Winter NLM Sectional will be held Jan. 11-12 at Vancouver (WA) Bridge Club. See ad page 13 for details.

Garden Island

The Garden Island Sectional will be held Jan. 17-19 at Sun Village Condominium Recreation Center in Lihue HI. See ad page 13 for details.

Portland

The Portland Winter Sectional will be held Jan. 24-26 at Kliever Armory in Portland. See ad this page for details.

Pacific States StaC

The Pacific States StaC will be held Jan. 27-Feb. 2 at local clubs in Districts 19 and 20. See ad page 3 for details.

Boise

The Boise Sectional will be held Feb. 7-9 at the Red Lion Hotel Downtowner in Boise ID. See ad this page for details.

Maui

The Maui Sectional will be held Feb. 7-9 at the Maui Bridge Club in Kihei HI. See ad page 16 for details.

Big Island

The Big Island Sectional will be held Feb. 15-17 at Makua Lani Christian Academy in Kailua Kona HI. See ad page 16 for details.

Chico

The Chico Almond Blossom Sectional will be held March 13-15 at the Chico (CA)

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SECTIONAL RESULTS

Vancouver Summer (200 tables)

- 1 31.76 David Brower, Portland OR
- 2 25.91 Gerard Hallee, Hillsboro OR
- 3 25.72 Jeff McKee, Banks OR
- 4 24.58 Rick Prouser, Portland OR
- 5 19.44 Louis Beauchet, Sherwood OR
- 6 19.26 Leslie Kelinson, Portland OR
- 7 18.80 Merlin Vilhauer, Beaverton OR
- 8 15.84 Roger McNay, Beaverton OR
- 9 15.44 Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR
- 10 14.76 Michael Eyer, Lake Oswego OR
- 11 14.70 Alan Johnson, Happy Valley OR
- 12 14.24 Duane Meador, Vancouver WA
- 13 14.11 Irva Neyhart, Corvallis OR
- 14 13.71 Ray Robert, Portland OR
- 15 12.96 Dawn Campbell, Portland OR
- 16 10.73 Staci Christian, Lake Oswego OR
- 17 10.47 David Cartwright, Oakland CA
- 10.47 Carol Smith, Oakland CA

Bend (122 tables)

- 1 26.45 Randall Paul, Klamath Falls OR
- 26.45 Bobby Thompson, Klamath Falls OR
- 3 17.83 Frank Murphy Jr., Bend OR
- 17.83 Donald Crozier, Bend OR
- 5 16.20 Laurie Rowe, Eugene OR
- 16.20 Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR
- 7 14.81 Michael Thurlow, Bend OR
- 14.81 Bill Bergmark, Bend OR
- 9 9.69 Laura Smith, Redmond OR
- 9.69 Larry Smith, Redmond OR
- 11 9.19 James Hurlburt, Bend OR
- 12 8.21 Richard Gettmann, Bend OR

Eureka (67 tables)

- 1 14.72 Henri Farhi, Chula Vista CA
- 2 12.32 Suzanne Cook, McKinleyville CA
- 3 11.65 Sara Rothmuller, Occidental CA
- 11.65 Nancy Gunn, Santa Rosa CA
- 5 11.16 John Hoffman, Mountain View CA
- 6 9.23 Mark Phelps, Eureka CA
- 9.23 Leslie Reynolds, McKinleyville CA
- 8 8.96 Sharon Hebert, Eureka CA
- 8.96 Alden Spowles, McKinleyville CA
- 10 8.76 Kit Humphrey, Chula Vista CA

Portland Fall (153 tables)

- 1 25.38 Hal Montgomery, Portland OR
- 25.38 Bruce Cuthbertson, Vancouver WA
- 3 20.66 David Brower, Portland OR
- 4 19.24 Eric Stoltz, Portland OR
- 5 16.00 Elinor Hood, Portland OR
- 16.00 Donald Weber, Portland OR
- 7 15.21 Dennis Metcalf, Vancouver WA
- 8 13.57 John Ashton, Portland OR
- 9 13.22 Paul Wrigley, Troutdale OR
- 13.22 Amy Casanova, Portland OR
- 11 12.10 David Castles, Portland OR
- 12 11.86 Michael Levy, Keizer OR
- 13 11.03 Barbara Nelson, McMinnville OR
- 14 10.84 Irva Neyhart, Corvallis OR
- 15 9.96 Roger McNay, Beaverton OR
- 9.96 Dawn Campbell, Portland OR
- 17 9.08 Edward Lee, Portland OR

Honolulu September (93 tables)

- 1 25.95 Godfrey Chang, Honolulu HI
- 2 17.69 Thomas Lum, Honolulu HI
- 3 16.99 Leo Williams, Honolulu HI
- 4 14.81 Everett Fukushima, Aiea HI
- 5 13.44 Steven Johnson, Honolulu HI
- 6 13.36 Iku Donnelly, Honolulu HI
- 7 11.51 Mark Bennett, Honolulu HI
- 8 11.15 Alan Kosansky, Kailua HI
- 9 10.98 Ronald Wong, Honolulu HI
- 10 10.15 Joseph Bussen, Kailua HI

Boise Fall (129 tables)

- 1 21.18 Ian Martindale, Boise ID
- 21.18 Charlene Martindale, Boise ID
- 3 17.85 Julia Christensen, Boise ID
- 4 17.84 GS Jade Barrett, Elk Point SD
- 17.84 Donna Lombardini, Alcester SD
- 6 17.49 Jill Wood, Meridian ID
- 17.49 Bill Wood, Meridian ID
- 8 16.18 Suzanne St. Thomas, Boise ID
- 16.18 Kathy Downen, Boise ID
- 10 10.78 Duane Christensen, Boise ID
- 10.78 Carol Christensen, Boise ID
- 12 10.45 Paul Penland, Eagle ID
- 13 10.40 Elazar Friedman, Middleton ID

Rogue Valley Fall (83 tables)

- 1 25.22 Randall Paul, Klamath Falls OR
- 25.22 Bobby Thompson, Klamath Falls OR
- 3 14.35 Robert Scott, Ashland OR
- 4 12.92 Edward Goldman, Ashland OR
- 5 12.28 Douglas Merritt, Grants Pass OR
- 12.28 Dennis Kendig, Ashland OR
- 7 12.16 Gee Gee Walker, Medford OR
- 8 11.87 David Bryant, Ashland OR
- 9 10.60 Bob Valine, Ashland OR
- 10 10.00 James Flint, Ashland OR

Nevada City (113 tables)

- 1 22.23 Judy Pede, Grass Valley CA
- 22.23 Daniel Green, Reno NV
- 3 18.26 Garth Gregory, Chico CA
- 4 17.27 Jo Anne Murdock, Yuba City CA
- 5 16.45 Bill Jones, Grass Valley CA
- 6 15.35 Marge Roe, Grass Valley CA
- 7 15.16 Alan Ludwig, Yuba City CA
- 8 13.14 Steve Sellers, Eureka CA
- 9 12.22 Mark Bloom, Chico CA
- 10 11.63 Judi Callahan, Fair Oaks CA
- 11.63 Carrie Touslee, Roseville CA

Newport (164 tables)

- 1 26.53 Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR
- 26.53 Irva Neyhart, Portland OR
- 3 23.74 Laurie Rowe, Eugene OR
- 23.74 Edward Lee, Portland OR
- 5 23.57 Suzanne Cook, McKinleyville CA
- 23.57 Diane Caccamise, Coos Bay OR
- 7 16.74 Roger McNay, Beaverton OR
- 16.74 Molly Harris, Port OR
- 9 15.81 Ray Robert, Portland OR
- 15.81 Michael Eyer, Lake Oswego OR
- 11 12.55 Hal Montgomery, Portland OR
- 12.55 Amy Casanova, Portland OR
- 13 12.09 Steven Pessin, Eugene OR
- 12.09 Ginny Stark, Eugene OR
- 15 11.23 Terrance Hill, Corvallis OR
- 16 11.07 Donald Lynam, Bandon OR

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Portland Winter Sectional

Jan. 24-26, 2020

FRIDAY, Jan. 24, 10:30 a.m.

Open Pairs, stratified, one session
Limited pairs, (0-750, stratified)
Novice pairs, (0-100, stratified, # of tables permitting)

Kliever Armory
10000 NE 33rd Dr.
Portland, OR 97211
(Off Marine Drive)
503-280-8160

FRIDAY, Jan. 24, 10:30 a.m.

KO teams (bracketed, round 1 of 3), non-handicapped
Open Pairs, stratified, one session
Limited pairs, (0-750, stratified)
Novice pairs, (0-100, stratified, # of tables permitting)

SATURDAY, Jan. 25, 10:30 a.m.

KO teams (bracketed, 2 of 3)
Open Pairs, stratified, one session
Limited pairs, (0-750, stratified)
Novice pairs, (0-100, stratified, # of tables permitting)

SATURDAY, Jan. 25, 3:30 p.m.

KO teams (bracketed, round 1 of 3), non-handicapped
Open Pairs, stratified, one session
Limited pairs, (0-750, stratified)
Novice pairs, (0-100, stratified, # of tables permitting)

SUNDAY, Jan. 26, 10:30 a.m., 2nd session TBA

Flight A/X/Y Swiss Teams, VPs
(Unlimited/4000/2500)
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 A/X/Y.
All strats determined by average MPs of team
Stratified Pairs, one session (stratified by director based on entries)



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

Free A.M. coffee and limited snacks

New ACBL members (0-5) play FREE!

Head Director: Jeff Jacob

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

Partnership: Jon Gassaway, 503-505-8583, jonpgassaway@yahoo.com

\$12 per session. \$16 for lapsed ACBL members. Sanction #52001378

\$5 for students under age 26 with student I.D. & ACBL membership

No scents or perfume, please

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Boise Sweetheart Sectional

February 7-9, 2020

Nampa Hispanic Cultural Center

315 Stampede Dr., Nampa, ID 83687

208-297-3361

(Franklin Exit #36 off I-84, 1 mile south on left)

Friday, February 7

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

Saturday, February 8

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

Sunday, February 9

Stratified Swiss Teams 10 a.m. & TBA
6 rounds/8 boards/20 VP scale

Masterpoint Ranges

A = Unlimited B = 750-1500 C = 0-750

Stratification by team or pair average

Entry fees

Pairs games: \$12 per session for ACBL members
(\$16 for lapsed ACBL members; temporary memberships available)

Swiss teams: \$120 per team includes lunch

Tournament chair: Art Crawford, 208-401-4108, acraw42@gmail.com

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

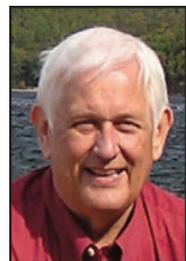
Tournament director: John Gram

Play of the Hand

Listen and count tricks

When the opponents open strong, it's often a good idea to get in the way if you can to take up valuable bidding room, hoping to prevent them from finding the right contract. At favorable vulnerability, the risk versus gain ratio is more in your favor.

In this club game, East, white against red, decided to jam the bidding with a preemptive 3♦ call with her shapely 6-5-2-0



Jim Flint
Play of the Hand

hand. South's 3♥ bid was game forcing, and West continued the interference with 4♦.

North, with great hearts, bid game, but East was not finished, bidding diamonds at the five level. South passes it around to North, who bid 5♥.

Now South has heard enough and bids the slam.

So, what is his thinking?

North shows 15 to 17 points with his opening bid, but he probably has the max since he opted to bid at the five level instead of doubling. North actually had 18 HCP, but ignored the ♦J and opened 1NT.

OK, so North has the max. Where are North's points? Not in diamonds, for sure. With no diamond points, North has to have the ♠A (4), the ♥KQ (5), and at least the ♠AK (7) to bring his total to 16. The ♥J would be a bonus, but with the implied 5-4 fit, it might not be needed. If North has the top three spades and is missing the ♥K, it puts his HCP at minimum. He can't be missing the ♠A for the same reason.

By realizing what North doesn't have (diamond points), South can pretty much

Dlr: North ♠AK97
Vul: N/S ♥KQJ8
Lead: ♦3 ♦J5
♣A65

♠J85 ♠Q10632
♥10632 ♥—
♦Q763 ♦AK10982
♣93 ♣82

♠4
♥A9754
♦4
♣KQJ1074

West	North	East	South
	1NT	3♦	3♥
4♦	4♥	5♦	Pass
Pass	5♥	Pass	6♥

determine what North does have. And it's enough for slam. South knows this because he can count to 13: six club tricks, five heart tricks, and two spade tricks equal 13 tricks if they don't take their diamond trick (South's diamond loser goes on the good spade). If they take their diamond, which is likely, that's still 12 tricks.

West could have jammed the opponents even more by bidding 5♦ at his first turn. Even then, North is sure to bid 5♥ with his holding. South makes the same conclusions and bids the slam confidently.

Defending against diamonds, North/South can take two spades, a spade ruff, and two clubs. It turns out 7♦ is a good sac.

If you know how many points your partner has, you can often figure out where they are by looking at your own hand and listening to the bidding. Then take off your socks and start counting tricks.

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Sectionals

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Women's Club. See ad this page for details.

Corvallis

The Heart of the Valley Sectional will be held March 13-15 at Benton County Fairgrounds in Corvallis OR. See ad this page for details.

Phoenix

The Rogue Valley Spring Sectional will be held March 27-29 at the Dan Voorhies Bridge Center in Phoenix OR. See ad page 18 for details.

SECTIONAL RESULTS

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Vancouver NLM Sectional (32 tables)

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|---|------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | 5.05 | Paul Walker, Oregon City OR |
| | 5.05 | Kristin Steinmetz, Portland OR |
| 3 | 4.53 | Nikolay Ryzhenko, Beaverton OR |
| | 4.53 | Nick Atanasov, Tigard OR |
| 5 | 3.54 | Leslie Weaver, Bend OR |
| | 3.54 | Carole Robinson, Milwaukie OR |

NEW ACBL MEMBERS

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|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Laura Bailey, Corvallis OR | Kathryn M. Hauswald, Seaview WA | Dale Scheer, Ontario OR |
| Jamee Carleto, Eureka CA | Gary Haynie, Kailua HI | Wanda Scheer, Ontario OR |
| Andrew Chodelski, Bend OR | Bob Horton, Ashland OR | Chuck Shultz, Arcata CA |
| William Criteser, Keizer OR | Addyson Ingham, Vancouver WA | James Smith, Eureka CA |
| Kit Cummings, Brookings OR | Jared Jenkins, Boise ID | Jeanyse Snow, Astoria OR |
| Robert Derbyshire, Keaau HI | Nancy Kay, Eureka CA | Peter Soni, Newberg OR |
| Michael Donnelly, Long Beach WA | Jeanne Krier, Albany OR | Patricia Summerton, Corvallis OR |
| William Dreyer, Redding CA | Peter Magnusson, Chico CA | Sharon Taylor, Kailua Kona HI |
| George Dzungza, Netarts OR | Elise Menashe, Vancouver WA | Dorothy Truax, Vancouver WA |
| Vicki Flier, Boise ID | Larry Owens, Tillamook OR | Richard Truax, Vancouver WA |
| Susan Ford, Philomath OR | Don Pierce, Nevada City CA | Cindy Vanover, Kailua HI |
| Kirk Forkner, Albany OR | Cynthia Quackenbush, Portland OR | Carol Vincent, Eugene OR |
| Rich Frankenfield, Corvallis OR | Kate Quackenbush, Portland OR | Coleen Walton, Salem OR |
| Gretchen Giacobazzi, Grants Pass OR | Anne Quigley, Beaverton OR | Sunia Yang, Corvallis OR |
| Jonel Glass, Seaside OR | | Richard Zoah-Henderson, Eureka CA |
| Gary Hansen, Ashland OR | | Robert Zoellner, Eureka CA |

Welcome!

LIFE MASTER MILESTONES

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GOLD LIFE MASTERS

- Dileep Bal, Kapaa HI
Pete Grice, Boise ID

- Barbara Gustafson, Manzanita OR
Carol Harms, Corvallis OR
Ray Robert, Portland OR
Mary Alice Seville, Corvallis OR
Laura Smith, Redmond OR

SAPPHIRE LIFE MASTERS

- Dawn Campbell, Portland OR
Edward Lee, Portland OR

EMERALD LIFE MASTERS

- Janie Peary, Vancouver WA

Almond Blossom 2020 Sectional

March 20-22, 2020

Unit #457

Chico Women's Club, 592 E. 3rd St., Chico, CA

Friday, March 20

10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

- Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions
- 299er Pairs, single sessions

Saturday, March 21

10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

- Stratified Open Pairs, double session (single session pairs welcome)
- 299er Pairs, single sessions

Sunday, March 22

10 a.m. and TBA

- Stratified Open Swiss Teams
- 20-point victory scale
- 6 rounds/8 boards
- Finish by 5:30 p.m.

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

Tournament Chair: **Doug Jacobs**

Tournament Director: **Steve Kaessner**

Sanction No. S2003369

Open Pairs stratifications

- A=2500+
B=750-2500
C=0-750
(Stratifications based on average MP for pairs or teams)

Fees

- \$11 per session; \$15 for lapsed ACBL members
Sandwiches and other refreshments will be available for purchase during the Sunday intermission

Unit 477

Heart of the Valley 'Express' Sectional

March 13-15, 2020

Benton County Fairgrounds Auditorium
110 SW 53rd St., Corvallis, OR 97333

- ACBL members: \$10 per player, per session
- Lapsed ACBL members: \$14 per player, per session
- Temporary memberships available

Friday, March 13

10 a.m.* 2:30 p.m.*
Stratified Pairs Stratified Pairs

*These are separate events, not play-through

Saturday, March 14

10 a.m. 2:30 p.m.
Stratified Pairs Stratified Pairs

Play-through for those playing both sessions

Stratifications:

A: 2000+ B: 500-2000 C: 0-500
(Strats determined by top player)

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

Sunday, March 15

10 a.m. and TBA
Two-session, stratified Swiss Teams

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

janiepeery@comcast.net

Partnership: Sue Fairchild, 541-752-4031,

sfairchic@comcast.net

Director: Michael Weber - Sanction #S2003360

WINNERS AT THE OREGON COAST REGIONAL

Gearhart Tues-Wed Knockout



Jim Wheeler, Bob Hormel, Ron Senn, Dwayne Brackhahn

Astoria Wed-Thurs Knockout



Robert Micone, Shailesh Gupta, Jay Roll, Brian Gilbert, Bjorgvin Kristinsson

Sand Dollar Fri-Sat Knockout



Jim Kassebaum, Maria Hakka, Giff Kassebaum, Phyllis Sutter

Tuesday Evening Swiss Teams



Rick Prouser, Tom Joyce, Oris Mowry, Buzz Farnes

Bracket 3

Bracket 2

Bracket 6

Bracket 5

1A

1A

1A

Side Series

Morning Side Series (164 players)

- 1-2 Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine CA
- 1-2 Michael Mikyska, Los Angeles CA
- 3 Bruce Brownfield, Graham WA

Afternoon Side Series (295 players)

- 1-2 Barbara McKay, Alamo CA
- 1-2 Sam Asaj, Hood River OR
- 3-4 Kathy Bye, Burnaby BC
- 3-4 John Keech, Victoria BC

Evening Side Series (325 players)

- 1-2 Robert Kroning, Seaside OR
- 1-2 Sue Kroning, Seaside OR
- 3 Ron Woodard, Olympia WA

Monday, Sept. 30

Monday Evening Side Pairs (92 pairs)

- 1A Leslie Kelinson - Gerard Hallee, Portland OR
- 2A Margi Redden, Portland OR; Sylvia Riewerts, Milwaukie OR
- 3A Sue Kroning - Robert Kroning, Seaside OR
- 1B Paul Huntress, Auburn WA; Paul Evanoff, Kent WA
- 2B Dianne Cox - Dennis Duryea, Redmond WA
- 3B Daniel Rogers, Albany OR; Brian Thomas, Portland OR
- 1C Donald Pitt - Jerome Gordon, Salem OR
- 2C Keith Carter, Sandpoint ID; Bill Drayton, Sagle ID
- 3C Jane Urban, Portland OR; Patricia Jacob, Wilsonville OR

Monday Evening 299er Pairs (20 pairs)

- 1D/F Sally Ann Wells, Walla Walla WA; Janice Amend, Ocean Park WA
- 2D/F Steve Parker - Care Parker, Portland OR
- 3-4D/3E/F Jim Boylan - Terry Hart, Salem OR
- 3-4D Vicky Howard - Elizabeth Burdick, Albany OR

Monday Evening Charity Swiss Teams (33 teams)

- 1A Brian Koblenz - Richard D'Litzenberger, Leavenworth WA; Philip Duterme, Bellaire TX; John Cox, St. Maries ID
- 2A Linda Yount - Marjorie Blunt, Federal Way WA; Wende Keirsej, Ridgefield WA; Sharon Gaunt, Tacoma WA
- 3A/1B David Fallen - Marla Patterson, Arlington WA; Ann Stephens, Carlsbad CA; John Thomas, Eugene OR
- 2-3B/1C G. Alan Coupland - Christy Coupland, Dublin OH; Lynn Morgan, Vashon WA; Judith Boardman, Vashon Island WA
- 2-3B Kelly Hayes, Lake Oswego OR; Jim Carr, Kirkland WA; Pauline Bullert, Vancouver WA; Deborah Lackey, Washougal WA
- 2C Nancy Serne - Patricia Douglas, Bend OR; Joel Speiser - Wendy Speiser, Delray Beach FL
- 3C Patrick Howard, Tigard OR; Kathi Marcus, Lake Oswego OR; Terry Strand, Wilsonville OR; Ginny Kopacz, Portland OR

Tuesday, Oct. 1

Seaside Monday-Tuesday KO 1 (16 teams)

- 1 Nanette Noland, Baton Rouge LA; Mike Passell, Plano TX; Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Eddie Wold, Houston TX
- 2 David Green, Sherwood OR; Edward Lee, Portland OR; Dennis Balfie, University City MO; Charles Swart, Alameda CA
- 3-4 Merlin Vilhauer, Beaverton OR; Michael Levy, Keizer OR; Craig Robinson, Durham NC; Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR
- 3-4 Robert Micone, Tustin CA; Bjorgvin Kristinsson, Columbia Heights MN; J. Jay Roll, Kelso WA; Brian Gilbert, Irvine CA; Shailesh Gupta, Aliso Viejo CA

Seaside Monday-Tuesday KO 2 (9 teams)

- 1 Jean-Phillip Weber - Esther Wiebe - Danielle Goulet - Tony Farr, Victoria BC
- 2 Wayne Fahie, Saskatoon SK; Fraser Glen, North Battleford SK; Rick Grieman, Regina SK; Bob Nell, Zehner SK
- 3-4 Richard Gettmann, Bend OR; Pete Grice, Boise ID; Ronald Mundt - Judy Mundt, Sunriver OR
- 3-4 Louis Sandmaier - Roxy Sandmaier - Heather Erskine - Marnie Hueston, Victoria BC

Seaside Monday-Tuesday KO 3 (9 teams)

- 1 Nancy Crawford - George Crawford - Mary Hepokoski - Peter Hepokoski, Portland OR
- 2 Rollie Seibert, Wilsonville OR; Nancy Decker, West Linn OR; Carol Kilmer, Portland OR; Sandra Kolls, Goodyear AZ
- 3-4 David Weil - Kathleen Holahan, Portland OR; J. Goldsmith, Lenox MA; Chris Aaberg, Lake Oswego OR
- 3-4 Alan Stewart - Judith Stewart - Susan Taylor - Kent Livingston, Vancouver WA

Seaside Monday-Tuesday KO 4 (9 teams)

- 1 Bernie Widolff - Gene Hval - Edwin Van Dam - Wendy Mednick, Portland OR
- 2 N. Dennis Berg - Maria Black, Santa Barbara CA; Arthur Levine, Goleta CA; Catherine Pickett, Portland OR
- 3-4 Wanda Deisman - Joy Tangen - Darlene Carolsfeld - Mary Dewar, Nanaimo BC
- 3-4 Billie Ranard - Bill Ranard, Bozeman MT; William Curtis - Henrietta Moore, Olympia WA

Seaside Monday-Tuesday KO 5 (9 teams)

- 1 Carroll Vaughan - Russell Vaughan - Al Lunde, Federal Way WA; Janice Nelsen, Puyallup WA
- 2 Fran Henry-Jansa - Mark Jansa, Portland OR; Patti Tussey - Timothy Niebauer, Boulder CO
- 3-4 James Ross Burwell - M. Diane Burwell, Olympia WA; Phyllis Newland - Timothy Newland, Sequim WA
- 3-4 Jon Ransom - Ron Delbecq - Rebecca Brown - Grant Deger, Bellingham WA

Tuesday Open Pairs (62 pairs)

- 1A Michael Dalton, Palm Coast FL; Lynn Leisy, Amelia Island FL
- 2A Connie Coquillette, Vancouver WA; Lisa Fishman, Beaverton OR
- 3A Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL; Judy Hyde, Los Angeles CA
- 1B Michael Ainsley, Victoria BC; Sheldon Spier, Chemainus BC
- 2B/1C Burton Voorhees - Kinga Voorhees, Victoria BC
- 3B John Bishel - Tom Bishel, Columbus OH
- 2C Thomas Kuehne, Berrerton WA; Betsy Brezel, Union WA
- 3C Paul Huntress, Auburn WA; Paul Evanoff, Kent WA

Tuesday Razor Clam Gold Pairs (62 pairs)

- 1C David Doerner, Beaverton OR; Bryce McMurdo, Portland OR
- 2C Ed Gould - Comelia Gould, Incline Village NV
- 3-4C Zack Woodbury, Portland OR; Judee Woodbury, Palm Desert CA
- 3-4C Robert Hines - Sara Hines, Eureka CA
- 1D Kristin Steinmetz, Portland OR; Paul Walker, Oregon City OR
- 2D/1E Jane Urban, Portland OR; Patricia Jacob, Wilsonville OR
- 3D/2E Louise Nix, North Bend OR; Julita Fong, Bandon OR
- 3E Virginia Retford, Sagle ID; Owen Smith, Clark Fork ID

Tuesday Morning Side Pairs (24 pairs)

- 1A/C Karen Eveland, Lewiston ID; Catherine Goetz, Clarkston WA
- 2A Bruce Brownfield, Graham WA; Doug West, Long Beach WA
- 3A/2B Ed Canton, Washougal WA; Marta Cannell, Hood River OR
- 3-4B Lawrence Izen, Coeur D Alene ID; Don Hanset, Sandpoint ID
- 3-4B Daniel Rogers - Alan Lawrence, Albany OR
- 2C Bill Kinney, Flagstaff AZ; Jackie Haugen, Cottonwood AZ
- 3C Jack Urick - Ann Urick, Sedona AZ

Tuesday Morning 299er Pairs (20 pairs)

- 1D/E Linda Whatley - Beth Velling, Seattle WA
- 2D/E/1F Sandy Dallam - Laura Bethel, Seattle WA
- 3-4D Ginger McCarthy - Sheryl Williams, Portland OR
- 3-4D/E/2F Steve Parker, Portland OR; Owen Smith, Clark Fork ID
- 3F Rosalie Holcomb - Janis Wasser, Seattle WA

Tuesday Afternoon Side Pairs (22 pairs)

- 1-2A William Wood - Barbara Moore, Rock Hill SC
- 1-2A Sharon Fosses, Welches OR; John Yadon, Gresham OR
- 3A/1B/C Ashok Hargunani, Portland OR; David Wigutoff, Astoria OR
- 2B Margaret Jackson - Georgette Silber, Eugene OR
- 3B Carol Orzetti, Redmond OR; Rosalyn Borys, Vancouver WA
- 2C Otis Clamp - Betty Clamp, Carson City NV
- 3C Margol Tucci, Puyallup WA; Ann Thomas, Longview WA

Tuesday Afternoon 299er Pairs (16 pairs)

- 1D Cheryn Grant - Toni Albano, Portland OR
- 2D/1E/F Mary Dunnam - Nancy Carr, Seattle WA
- 3D/2E/F Steve Marsh - Jean Buckley, Portland OR
- 3E/1F Care Parker, Portland OR; Susan Circone, Lake Oswego OR

Tuesday Afternoon 99er Pairs (12 pairs)

- 1G/1 Judy Dauble - Mary Rich, Lake Oswego OR
- 2G Stephen Jackson - Susan Jackson, Salem OR
- 3G/2H/1 Karen Stewart, Lake Oswego OR; Lynne Patzel, Beaverton OR

Tuesday Evening Side Pairs (34 pairs)

- 1A Dennis Harms - Carol Harms, Corvallis OR
- 2A Michael Mikyska, Los Angeles CA; Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine CA
- 3A Judy Slemmons - George Slemmons, Bellevue WA
- 1B/C Jacqueline Fennellow, Parksville BC; Lorna Veitch, Qualicum Beach BC
- 2B Sally Mallett - Gary Mallett, New Martinsville WV
- 3B Maureen Barnes - Pierre Lalonde, Kelowna BC
- 2C Otis Leathers, McCleary WA; Robert Simpson, Ocean Shores WA
- 3C Barbara Pyles, Vancouver WA; Dan Betts, Seattle WA

Tuesday Evening 299er Pairs (18 pairs)

- 1D/F Mary Dunnam - Nancy Carr, Seattle WA
- 2D/F Wendy Alex, Ferndale WA; Pat Rose, Bellingham WA
- 3D/E Bryon Van Fleet - Richard Turnbull, Corvallis OR
- 3F David Howard - Diane Howard, Eugene OR

Tuesday Evening Swiss Teams (34 teams)

- 1A Rick Prouser, Portland OR; Tom Joyce, East Hartford CT; Oris Mowry, Phoenix AZ; Buzz Farnes, Midvale UT
- 2A Roger McMay, Beaverton OR; John Ashton, Portland OR; Jon Bartlett, Happy Valley OR; Joel Datloff, Vancouver WA
- 3A/1B Robert Richardson - Candace Allen, Clinton WA; Diane Felure, Vashon WA; Joel Castoriano, Mercer Island WA
- 2B Donald Amend, Ocean Park WA; Sandra Baker, Seaside OR; Ann Marie Gramson - Gilbert Gramson, Warrenton OR
- 3-5B Richard Gettmann, Bend OR; Pete Grice, Boise ID; Ronald Mundt - Judy Mundt, Sunriver OR
- 3-5B Leeanne Creech, Snoqualmie WA; Marilyn Helbig, Bellevue WA; Karen Rise, Leavenworth WA; Nobu Morris, Wenatchee WA
- 3-5B Nancy Jonske - Diane Mackenzie - Margaret Evenson - Betsy McCormick, Portland OR
- 1C Lynn Morgan, Vashon WA; Judith Boardman, Vashon Island WA; G. Alan Coupland - Christy Coupland, Dublin OH
- 2C Barbara Lombardy - Diane Paszkowski - Lisa Lombardy - Vickie Wagner, Billings MT
- 3C Wanda Deisman - Joy Tangen - Darlene Carolsfeld - Mary Dewar, Nanaimo BC

Wednesday, Oct. 2

Gearhart Tuesday-Wednesday KO 1 (16 teams)

- 1 Cookie Potter, Sunset Beach CA; Kevin Dwyer, Melbourne FL; Brad Moss, Denver CO; Vincent Demuy, Palm Beach Gardens FL; Justin Lali, Little Elm TX
- 2 George Whitworth, Coarsegold CA; Ed Ulman, Portland OR; Jean Barry, Livermore CA; Jim Looby, Las Vegas NV
- 3-4 Ray Miller - Aaron Mohrman, Seattle WA; Craig Zastera, Woodinville WA; Sun-O Ho, Redmond WA
- 3-4 Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX; Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ; John Schermer, Seattle WA

Gearhart Tuesday-Wednesday KO 2 (12 teams)

- 1 Teri Smoot, Placerville CA; Ginny Curtis, Citrus Heights CA; Carl Oeser, Roseville CA; Karen Nelson, Gold River CA
- 2 Kathy Hansen - Michael Hansen, Vancouver WA; Paul Erikson, Edmonton AB; William Gibson, Victoria BC
- 3-4 Alfred Lee, San Mateo CA; Susan Zhang, Los Altos Hills CA; Jim Liu, Saratoga CA; Eurydice Nours - Eugene Chan, Richmond BC
- 3-4 Brian Koblenz - Richard D'Litzenberger, Leavenworth WA; John Cox, St. Maries ID; Philip Duterme, Bellaire TX

Gearhart Tuesday-Wednesday KO 3 (16 teams)

- 1 James Wheeler, Ridgefield WA; Dwayne Brackhahn - Ron Senn, Beaverton OR; Robert Hormel, Lake Oswego OR
- 2 Ross Bates - Dorothy Dore, Castlegar BC; Lewis Richardson Jr. - Monica Taylor, Astoria OR
- 3-4 Sheryl Clough - Bill McGeary, Clinton WA; Art Hutton - Jackie Hutton, Stanwood WA
- 3-4 David Fallen - Marla Patterson, Arlington WA; Ann Stephens, Carlsbad CA; John Thomas, Eugene OR

Gearhart Tuesday-Wednesday KO 4 (16 teams)

- 1 Mike Derrenberger, Port Ludlow WA; Gordon Chin, Bainbridge Isle WA; Eileen Deutsch - Bonnie Broders, Port Townsend WA
- 2 Linda Smith - David Smith - Becky McKenzie - Mary Alice Seville, Corvallis OR
- 3-4 Michael Green, Newberg OR; Randy Naef, McMinnville OR; John Wolf - David Partridge, Eugene OR
- 3-4 Emmett Doherty - Peggy Doherty, Henderson NV; Robert Underwood - Elizabeth Underwood, Incline Village NV

Gearhart Tuesday-Wednesday KO 5 (16 teams)

- 1 Kris Gupta - Suman Gupta - John Underwood, Olympia WA; Fay Bronson, Tenino WA
- 2 Allen Custer, Edmonds WA; Gordon Sawyer, Seattle WA; Bob Shelley - Carol Shelley, Bellevue WA
- 3-4 Raynor Christianson, Burton WA; John Dunn, Vashon WA; Anne Lever, Seacac WA; Meg Okada, Seattle WA
- 3-4 Dennis Sager - Jean Sager, Stanwood WA; Andrew Nuxoll, Portland OR; Dan Edelstein, Vancouver WA

Gearhart Tuesday-Wednesday KO 6 (16 teams)

- 1 Daryl Krepps - Gloria Shabbits, Nanaimo BC; Gary Alan Nolin, Parksville BC; Mary Jo Rutherford, Ridgefield WA
- 2 Mary Hanni - Bruce Hanni - Shirley Gilbreath, Eagle ID; Marian Hendrix, Boise ID
- 3-4 Patty Melody, Spokane WA; Rita Guzzard, Nine Mile Falls WA; Carolyn Wasteneys, Gig Harbor WA; Susan Ramsey, Sequim WA
- 3-4 Robert Davis - Anita Davis - Michelle Harlow, Durango CO; Pauline Pettinato, Tucson AZ

Wednesday A/X Pairs (52 pairs)

- 1A/X Thomas Anderson, N. Vancouver BC; Harry Satanove, Vancouver BC
- 2A Michael Mikyska, Los Angeles CA; Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine CA
- 3A Jessie Brunswig, Fountain Hills AZ; Gregory Trautman, Olympia WA
- 2X Nancy Motes, Kennesaw GA; Betsy Stanton, Hartsville SC
- 3X Amy Casanova - Dawn Campbell, Portland OR

Wednesday Midflight Pairs (40 pairs)

- 1B Larry Smith - Laura Smith, Redmond OR
- 2B/1C Jerome Gordon, Salem OR; Valerie Lycette, Issaquah WA
- 3B Louis Beauchet, Sherwood OR; Gene Hval, Portland OR
- 2C Eileen Milligan, Corvallis OR; Glenda Fleming, Albany OR
- 3C Paul Huntress, Auburn WA; Paul Evanoff, Kent WA

Wednesday Coho Gold Pairs (62 pairs)

- 1-2C Gary Griesmeyer, Tumwater WA; Nancy Napolilli, Olympia WA
- 1-2C Bill Kinney, Flagstaff AZ; Jackie Haugen, Cottonwood AZ
- 3C Charles Mead, Sequim WA; Cynthia Brogan, Vancouver WA
- 1D Kristin Steinmetz, Portland OR; Paul Walker, Oregon City OR
- 2D/1E Virginia Retford, Sagle ID; Owen Smith, Clark Fork ID
- 3D Donald Pitt - Terry Hart, Salem OR
- 2E Steve Marsh - Jean Buckley, Portland OR
- 3E Bill Worobets - Janet Worobets, Victoria BC

Wednesday Morning Side Pairs (32 pairs)

- 1A Iftikhar Baqai, Irvine CA; Michael Mikyska, Los Angeles CA
- 2A/1B Karen Rise, Leavenworth WA; Nobu Morris, Wenatchee WA
- 3A Rich Carle, Longview WA; Bob Law, Tigard OR
- 2B/1C Jackie Haugen, Cottonwood AZ; Bill Kinney, Flagstaff AZ
- 3B David Partridge - John Wolf, Eugene OR
- 2C Wanda Deisman - Mary Dewar, Nanaimo BC
- 3C William Curtis, Olympia WA; Timothy Trinkle, Longview WA

Wednesday Morning 299er Pairs (26 pairs)

- 1D/F Mary Dunnam - Nancy Carr, Seattle WA
- 2D/F Rosalie Holcomb - Janis Wasser, Seattle WA
- 3D/E Bruce Kaplan - Lynn Kaplan, Sun Valley ID
- 3F Judy Dauble - Mary Rich, Lake Oswego OR

Wednesday Afternoon Side Pairs (54 pairs)

- 1A Dennis Harms - Carol Harms, Corvallis OR
- 2A John Keech, Victoria BC; Kathy Bye, Burnaby BC
- 3A Bob Law, Tigard OR; Marie Ashton, Portland OR
- 1B/C Susan Bradford, Dallas OR; Ellie Hall-Pitzer, Salem OR
- 2B Arthur Levine, Goleta CA; N. Dennis Berg, Santa Barbara CA
- 3B Paula Strand, Kirkland WA; Wayne Stann, Kelowna BC
- 2C Diane Paszkowski - Barbara Lombardy, Billings MT
- 3C Carol Ramberg - Irene White, Fair Oaks Ranch TX

Wednesday Afternoon 299er Pairs (32 pairs)

- 1D/F Roger Speigle, Tualatin OR; Thomas Ahern, Wilsonville OR
- 2D/F Ellen Collins - Philip Collins, Seattle WA
- 3D/F Martin Nice - Ali Nice, Eugene OR

Wednesday Afternoon 99er Pairs (10 pairs)

- 1G Judith Rosen - Tamera Florio, Bend OR
- 2G Paul Hess - Kathleen Hess, Bellingham WA
- 3G/1H David Howard - Diane Howard, Eugene OR
- 2H Karen Stewart, Lake Oswego OR; Lynne Patzel, Beaverton OR
- 3H Richard Mason - Karen Mason, Bellevue WA

Wednesday Evening Side Pairs (26 pairs)

- 1A Phyllis Rakevich, Tumwater WA; Ron Woodard, Olympia WA
- 2A Ralph Cole, Anacortes WA; Dan Webster, Aldergrove BC
- 3A/1B/C Rebecca Brown - Grant Deger, Bellingham WA
- 2B/C Diane Paszkowski - Barbara Lombardy, Billings MT
- 3B Michael Rickus, Newport OR; Walter Orchard, Yachats OR
- 3C Ann Larson - Noeline Myers, Corvallis OR

Wednesday Evening 299er Pairs (14 pairs)

- 1D/F Barbara Liljeqvist, Washougal WA; Claudia Kaiser, Vancouver WA
- 2D/F Jim Boylan, Salem OR; Linda Wilson, Ponte Vedra FL
- 3D/F Laura Miller, Mercer Island WA; Sharon Mossman, Bellevue WA

Wednesday Evening Swiss Teams (52 teams)

- 1A Joe Grue, New York NY; Marc Warner, Crozier VA; Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX; Margaret Peterson, Larkspur CA
- 2A/1B Jerold Wershba - Felicia Wershba - Judy Karush, Portland OR; Ira Grifel, Lake Oswego OR
- 3A John Schermer, Seattle WA; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX; Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ
- 2-3B J. Greg Fowler - Ron Root, Beaverton OR; Marta Cannell, Hood River OR; Bonnie Fortune, Newberg OR
- 2-3B Danielle Goulet - Esther Wiebe - Tony Farr - Jean-Phillip Weber, Victoria BC
- 1C Susan Bradford, Dallas OR; Ellie Hall-Pitzer - Hayward Reed - Karen Crooch, Salem OR
- 2C John Dove Sr., Vancouver WA; Jo Ann Smith, Bothell WA; Marjorie Mandery - Roger Mandery, Mount Vernon WA
- 3C Patrick Howard, Tigard OR; Ginny Kopacz, Portland OR; Terry Strand, Wilsonville OR; Kathi Marcus, Lake Oswego OR

Thursday, Oct. 3

Astoria Wednesday-Thursday KO 1 (9 teams)

- 1 Eric Stoltz - Marc Zwering - Mark Tolliver, Portland OR; Dennis Metcalf, Vancouver WA
- 2 Nanette Noland, Baton Rouge LA; Mike Passell, Plano TX; Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV; Eddie Wold, Houston TX
- 3-4 Roger McMay, Beaverton OR; Joel Datloff, Vancouver WA; Jon Bartlett, Happy Valley OR; John Ashton, Portland OR
- 3-4 Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA; Mikael Rimstedt - Ola Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden

Astoria Wednesday-Thursday KO 2 (9 teams)

- 1 Robert Micone, Tustin CA; J. Jay Roll, Kelso WA; Shailesh Gupta, Aliso Viejo CA; Bjorgvin Kristinsson, Columbia Heights MN; Brian Gilbert, Irvine CA
- 2 James Smith, Mapleton OR; Jon Neimand, Eugene OR; James Madison, Silver Creek WA; Tom McKenna, Hillsboro OR
- 3-4 Charles Swart, Alameda CA; Dennis Balfie, University City MO; Flo Savage - Irene Pickett, Portland OR
- 3-4 Marty McCune - Mary McCune, Seattle WA; Connie Heller - Dennis Heller, Clinton WA

Astoria Wednesday-Thursday KO 3 (15 teams)

- 1 Cliff Allen III, Camas WA; Gerald Brown - Pauline Bullert, Vancouver WA; Deborah Lackey, Washougal WA
- 2 Bert Adams - Carolyn Adams, Steilacoom WA; Alden Edwards - Bud Craig, Kelowna BC
- 3-4 Karen Hudesman - Donald Stark - Paul Wayne English, Seattle WA; Stephen Horwitz, Avalon NJ
- 3-4 Cheryl Berens, Oakland OR; Linda Hann - Brenda Biermann, Roseburg OR; Karen Jachetta, Trabuco Canyon CA

Player roundup

By Amy Casanova
The Trumpet

At the Seaside Regional, we asked players this question: *What's your favorite pre-game meal or snack? Here are their answers.*



Brenda Biermann

"Kashi Go Lean, yogurt and a banana with Earl Grey tea."

Brenda Biermann
Roseburg OR



Karen Jachetta

"Same but with Diet Coke."

Karen Jachetta
Trabuco Canyon CA



Heather Dolan

"Apples and peanut butter. Plus, I do jumping jacks and breathing exercises."

Heather Dolan
Beaverton OR



Jessie Brunswig

"Bread, butter and coffee."

Jessie Brunswig
Fountain Hills AZ



Johanna Thoresz

"A glass of wine."

Johanna Thoresz
Portland



Amy Casanova

"My best games are powered by fried egg sandwiches."

Amy Casanova
Managing editor

Astoria Wednesday-Thursday KO 4 (16 teams)

- 1 Razon Johnson, Kingstons WA; Michael Edwards – D. Jean Gilliland, Port Townsend WA; Thomas Loveday, Sequim WA
- 2 Leeanne Creech, Snoqualmie WA; Marilyn Helbig, Bellevue WA; Karen Rise, Leavenworth WA; Nobi Morris, Wenatchee WA
- 3-4 Bill Russell – Larry Liewer, Scappoose OR; Marie Pinch – Dave Pinch, Lake Oswego OR
- 3-4 Art Silvas – Lee Silvas, Renton WA; Robin Farmer, Seatac WA; Stanley Slete, Auburn WA

Astoria Wednesday-Thursday KO 5 (16 teams)

- 1 Marcia Taylor – Maureen Steele, Nainaimo BC; Jacqueline Fennelwood, Parksville BC; Lorna Veitch, Qualicum Beach BC
- 2 Wanda Deisman – Joy Tangen – Mary Dewar – Darlene Carolsfeld, Nainaimo BC
- 3-4 Roy Markham – Sylvia Markham, Montesano WA; Patricia Robbins – Orrin Robbins, Olympia WA
- 3-4 Roy Wilkinson – Bryce McMurdo, Portland OR; David Muller, Vancouver WA; David Doerner, Beaverton OR

Astoria Wednesday-Thursday KO 6 (16 teams)

- 1 Margot Leonard – Beth Howard – Chita Becker – Judy Blumenthal, Portland OR
- 2 Patti Tussey – Timothy Niebauer, Boulder CO; Fran Henry-Jansa – Mark Jansa, Portland OR
- 3-4 Cheryl Lurie, Avondale AZ; Mark Andrews, Mapleton ND; Linda Underwood – Terry Underwood, Kamloops BC
- 3-4 Heather Duncan – Louise Boudreau, Victoria BC; Yesh Mhatre – Asha Mhatre, Olympia WA

Thursday A/X Pairs (52 pairs)

- 1A Michael Schreiber, Plano TX; Robert McClendon, Ponte Vedra FL
- 2A/1X Gustav Axen, New Westminster BC; Judy Harris, Salmon Arm BC
- 3A Dennis Goldston, Colorado Springs CO; Donald Vancil, Aurora CO
- 2X Sheldon Spier, Chermains BC; Michael Ainsley, Victoria BC
- 3X Yen Karro, Surrey BC; Anita Morse, North Vancouver BC

Thursday Midflight Pairs (36 pairs)

- 1B Louis Beauchet, Sherwood OR; Gene Hval, Portland OR
- 2B Lea Rogers – Jeanie Wolff, Spokane WA
- 3B/1C Donald Pitt – Jerome Gordon, Salem OR
- 2C Joan Peterson – Gale Gropp, Bellingham WA
- 3C John Thomas, Eugene OR; Ann Stephens, Carlsbad CA

Thursday Chinook Gold Pairs (72 pairs)

- 1C Kamlesh Batra – Shiv Batra, Mercer Island WA
- 2C/1D Kristin Steinmetz, Portland OR; Paul Walker, Oregon City OR
- 3C Zack Woodbury, Portland OR; Judee Woodbury, Palm Desert CA
- 2D/1E Judy Francis – Marna Knoer, Eugene OR
- 3D/2E Jim Leiren, Tumwater WA; Alice Arnold, Shelton WA
- 3E Ron Delbecq – Jon Ransom, Bellingham WA

Wed-Thurs Morning Swiss Teams (16 teams)

- 1A/B Fraser Glen, North Battleford SK; Wayne Fahie, Saskatoon SK; Bob Nell, Zehner SK; Rick Grieman, Regina SK
- 2A Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA; Mikael Rimstedt – Ola Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden
- 3-4A Lynn Leisy, Amelia Island FL; Michael Dalton, Palm Coast FL; Charlene Martindale – Ian Martindale, Boise ID
- 3-4A/2B/1C Mary Hanni – Bruce Hanni, Eagle ID; Susan Vollmer – Dian Williams, Federal Way WA
- 3B/2C Jon Ransom – Ron Delbecq – Grant Deger – Rebecca Brown, Bellingham WA

Thursday Morning Side Pairs (43 pairs)

- 1A/B Lou Arevalo, Spokane WA; Martha Schwake, Hayden ID
- 2A/B David Partridge – John Wolf, Eugene OR
- 3A Bruce Brownfield – Susan Ohman, Graham WA
- 3B/1C Paul Thompson, Chehalis WA; Michael Thompson, Olympia WA
- 2C Wanda Deisman – Mary Dewar, Nainaimo BC
- 3C Janice Nelsen, Puyallup WA; Al Lunde, Federal Way WA

Thursday Morning 299er Pairs (34 pairs)

- 1D Charlotte Riviera – Marjorie Bathum, Bellevue WA
- 2D Kate Walters, Menlo Park CA; Ellen Kohjima, Tacoma WA
- 3D/1E Graham Budd – Marg Budd, Cobble Hill BC
- 2E/1F Mary Dunnam – Nancy Carr, Seattle WA
- 3E/2F Paul Hess – Kathleen Hess, Bellingham WA
- 3F Martin Nice – Ali Nice, Eugene OR

Thursday Afternoon Side Pairs (70 pairs)

- 1A Howard Epley – Karen Epley, Kent WA
- 2A/1B/C Wendy Mednick – Bernie Widloff, Portland OR
- 3A Sam Asai, Hood River OR; Barbara McKay, Alamo CA
- 2B Bill McGeary – Sheryl Clough, Clinton WA
- 3B Bruce Peterson, Aloha OR; Samuel Jones, Portland OR
- 2C Carol Rambang – Irene White, Fair Oaks Ranch TX
- 3C Marilyn Phillips – Ivor Phillips, Bellevue WA

Thursday Afternoon 299er Pairs (33 pairs)

- 1D/E Graham Budd – Marg Budd, Cobble Hill BC
- 2D Ellen Collins – Philip Collins, Seattle WA
- 3D/2E Lynn Kaplan – Bruce Kaplan, Sun Valley ID
- 3E/1F Judy Fisher, Redmond WA; Lola Leen, Bellevue WA
- 2F Irma Jean McKinney, Loon Lake WA; Jim Boylan, Salem OR
- 3F Brian Taylor – Tom Kroupa, Lake Oswego OR

Thursday Afternoon 99er Pairs (14 pairs)

- 1G Thomas Stanley, Astoria OR; Ruth Johnson, Warrenton OR
- 2G Susan Jackson – Stephen Jackson, Salem OR
- 3G/1H Susan Burgott – George Burgott, Eugene OR
- 2B Linnea Vukasovich – Sandi Laroche, Siletz OR

Thursday Evening Side Pairs (33 pairs)

- 1A Eugene Chan – Eurydice Nours, Richmond BC
- 2A Steve Nafus – Craig Jones, Boise ID
- 3A/1B Samuel Jones – Toni Heitkamp, Portland OR
- 2B Karen Jachetta, Trabuco Canyon CA; Brenda Biermann, Roseburg OR
- 3B/1C Grant Deger – Rebecca Brown, Bellingham WA
- 2C Daniel Rogers, Albany OR; Joanne Ruyle, Portland OR
- 3C Stephen Prokop – Charles Carter, Brookings OR

Thursday Evening 299er Pairs (12 pairs)

- 1D Shirley Tanner, Cottonwood Heights UT; Elaine Abramowitz, Salt Lake City UT
- 2D/1E Stanley Slete, Auburn WA; Robin Farmer, Seatac WA
- 3-4D/2-3E Donald McConnell – Patt McConnell, Portland OR
- 3-4D/2-3E Karen Crooch – Hayward Reed, Salem OR
- 1F Shirley Metcalf – Rasool Doneshvar, Woodinville WA
- 2F Irma Jean McKinney, Loon Lake WA; Jim Boylan, Salem OR

Thursday Evening Swiss Teams (40 teams)

- 1-2A/1B Jerold Wershba – Felicia Wershba – Judy Karush, Portland OR; Ira Grifel, Lake Oswego OR
- 1-2A Joel Datloff, Vancouver WA; Roger McNay, Beaverton OR; John Ashton, Portland OR; Jon Bartlett, Happy Valley OR
- 3A Dianne Morton, Williamsburg VA; Carolyn Wood, Cobbs Creek VA; Will Williams, Richmond VA; William Belanich, Glen Allen VA

Friday, Oct. 4

Lewis and Clark Thursday-Friday KO 1 (16 teams)

- 1 Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ; John Schermer, Seattle WA; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX
- 2 Margaret Hart, Baton Rouge LA; Robert Morris, Houston TX; Leo Bell, Carlsbad CA; Jay Barron, Tulsa OK
- 3-4 Jean Barry, Livermore CA; George Whitworth, Coarsegold CA; Jim Looby, Las Vegas NV; Ed Ulman, Portland OR
- 3-4 Cookie Potter, Sunset Beach CA; Kevin Dwyer, Melbourne FL; Vincent Demuy, Palm Beach Gardens FL; Brad Moss, Denver CO; Justin Lall, Little Elm TX

Lewis and Clark Thursday-Friday KO 2 (10 teams)

- 1 Veronica Reeves – Paul Reeves, Tigard OR; Ronald Dennis – Patricia Dennis, Beaverton OR
- 2 Eileen Milligan – Becky McKenzie – Richard Garvin, Corvallis OR; Molly Harris, Portland OR
- 3-4 Richard Morris – Katherine Morris, Beaverton OR; Ann Marie Gramson – Gilbert Gramson, Warrenton OR
- 3-4 John Crutcher, Olympia WA; Marianne Daem, Nainaimo BC; Ben Silis, Powell River BC; Slava Simice, Comox BC

Lewis and Clark Thursday-Friday KO 3 (12 teams)

- 1 Tony Farr – Danielle Goulet – Jean-Phillip Weber – Esther Wiebe, Victoria BC
- 2 Linda Tubbs – Steve Tubbs, Vancouver WA; Sandee Canton – Ed Canton, Washougal WA
- 3-4 Wayne Fahie, Saskatoon SK; Fraser Glen, North Battleford SK; Bob Nell, Zehner SK; Rick Grieman, Regina SK
- 3-4 Robert Richardson – Candace Allen, Clinton WA; Diane Felure, Vashon WA; Joel Castoriano, Mercer Island WA

Lewis and Clark Thursday-Friday KO 4 (16 teams)

- 1 Michael Rickus, Newport OR; Walter Orchard, Yachats OR; Steve Gillett, Tacoma WA; Douglas Johnson, Gig Harbor WA
- 2 Randy Naef, McMinnville OR; John Wolf – David Partridge, Eugene OR; Michael Green, Newberg OR
- 3-4 Carol Johns – Stephanie Haddy, Scottsdale AZ; Sharon Brodhun – Helen Whatmough, Fountain Hills AZ
- 3-4 Peter Hepokoski – Mary Hepokoski – George Crawford – Nancy Crawford, Portland OR

Lewis and Clark Thursday-Friday KO 5 (16 teams)

- 1 Gary Griesmeyer, Tumwater WA; Nancy Napolilli – Judy Duning – Nanette Hittmeier, Olympia WA
- 2 Ginny Kopacz – Judith Wilkinson – Barbara Ball, Portland OR; Terry Strand, Wilsonville OR
- 3-4 Sheryl Williams – Ginger McCarthy – Kathleen Hart – Sally Miller, Portland OR
- 3-4 Karen Eveland, Lewiston ID; Catherine Goetz, Clarkston WA; Bill Drayton, Sagle ID; Keith Carter, Sandpoint ID



Lynn Leisy, Michael Dalton
Tuesday Open Pairs



Michael Schreiber, Robert McClendon
Thursday A/X Pairs



Robert Micone, Sherman Gao
Saturday Open Pairs



Gene Hval, Louis Beauchet
Thursday Midflight Pairs



Leslie Kelinson, Jerry Hallee
Monday Charity Pairs



Sue & Robert Kroning
Evening Side Game Series



Margi Redden, Sylvia Riewerts
2A Monday Charity Pairs



Eugene Chan, Eurydice Nours
Friday Evening Side Pairs



Mary Dunnam, Nancy Carr
Tuesday Evening 299er Pairs



Beth Velling, Linda Whatley
Tuesday Morning 299er Pairs

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Top masterpoint winners

Total masterpoints: 16,776.56 earned by 1159 players. Total attendance: 2541 tables.	61.44 Charles Swart, Alameda CA	68 42.83 Steve Nafus, Boise ID	134 30.23 Becky McKenzie, Corvallis OR	220 22.36 Veronica Reeves, Tigard OR	293 18.62 Richard Gettmann, Bend OR
32 59.42 Edward Lee, Portland OR	74 40.10 Hal Montgomery, Portland OR	136 29.89 John Cissel, Boise ID	222 22.36 Paul Reeves, Tigard OR	294 18.48 Sue Kroning, Seaside OR	321 17.59 David Doerner, Beaverton OR
33 59.31 Brian Gilbert, Irvine CA	75 39.84 Jerold Wershba, Portland OR	141 29.43 Randy Naef, McMinnville OR	223 22.17 Alan Johnson, Happy Valley OR	295 18.38 Linda Hann, Roseburg OR	322 16.93 L. Sullivan, Warrenton OR
34 57.85 Sun-O Ho, Redmond WA	77 39.84 Felicia Wershba, Portland OR	142 29.43 Michael Green, Newberg OR	226 21.88 Walter Orchard, Yachats OR	296 18.38 Cheryl Berens, Oakland OR	323 17.59 Bryce McMurdo, Portland OR
35 57.85 Craig Zastera, Woodinville WA	78 39.84 David Brower, Portland OR	143 29.06 Michael Hansen, Vancouver WA	227 21.88 Michael Rickus, Newport OR	297 18.36 Gilbert Gramson, Warrenton OR	324 17.17 Phyllis Sutter, Portland OR
36 57.61 Eric Stoltz, Portland OR	79 39.44 John Ashton, Portland OR	144 29.06 Kathy Hansen, Vancouver WA	228 21.76 Ron Root, Beaverton OR	298 18.34 Ray Robert, Portland OR	325 17.07 Kent Livingston, Vancouver WA
37 57.40 Shailesh Gupta, Aliso Viejo CA	80 39.42 Rick Prouser, Portland OR	145 29.06 John Wolf, Eugene OR	229 21.68 Brenda Biermann, Roseburg OR	299 18.20 Ronald Mundt, Sunriver OR	326 16.54 Alan Stewart, Vancouver WA
38 56.59 Mark Tolliver, Portland OR	81 39.29 Ira Grifel, Lake Oswego OR	146 28.67 David Partridge, Eugene OR	230 21.68 Inva Neyhart, Portland OR	300 18.20 Judy Mundt, Sunriver OR	327 15.79 Ed Canton, Washougal WA
39 56.59 Marc Zwerling, Portland OR	82 39.29 Lynne Schaeffer, Portland OR	147 27.73 Kevin Kacmarynski, Monmouth OR	231 21.67 Margi Redden, Portland OR	301 18.20 Ronald Mundt, Sunriver OR	328 15.79 Bonnie Fortune, Newberg OR
40 55.63 Gene Hval, Portland OR	83 38.31 Amy Casanova, Portland OR	148 27.73 Connie Marfell, Milwaukie OR	232 21.67 Leslie Kelinson, Portland OR	302 18.20 Judy Mundt, Sunriver OR	329 15.63 Jim Sherman, Boise ID
41 54.09 Michael Mikyska, Los Angeles CA	84 38.10 Sam Asai, Hood River OR	149 27.60 Lisa Fishman, Beaverton OR	233 21.20 Jon Neimand, Eugene OR	303 18.20 Judy Mundt, Sunriver OR	330 15.42 Flo Savage, Portland OR
42 54.09 Ifikhar Baqai, Irvine CA	85 37.86 Lynn Leisy, Amelia Island FL	150 27.60 Connie Coquillette, Vancouver WA	234 21.08 James Smith, Mapleton OR	304 18.20 Judy Mundt, Sunriver OR	331 15.41 Terry Strand, Wilsonville OR
43 53.76 Michael Dalton, Palm Coast FL	86 37.55 Tony Farr, Victoria BC	151 27.60 Dawn Campbell, Portland OR	235 21.08 Kevin Marnell, Portland OR	305 18.34 Ray Robert, Portland OR	332 15.41 Terry Strand, Wilsonville OR
44 53.76 Lynn Leisy, Amelia Island FL	87 37.55 Danielle Goulet, Victoria BC	152 26.71 Dwayne Brackhahn, Beaverton OR	236 21.08 Tim Rilling, Vancouver WA	306 18.20 Judy Mundt, Sunriver OR	333 15.39 Daniel Rogers, Albany OR
45 52.49 Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA	88 37.55 Daniel Hoekstra, Portland OR	153 26.71 Richard Morris, Beaverton OR	237 21.08 Don Herring, Lake Oswego OR	307 18.20 Judy Mundt, Sunriver OR	334 15.23 Robert Kroning, Seaside OR
46 52.49 Ola Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden	89 37.55 Rich Carle, Longview WA	154 26.71 Katherine Morris, Beaverton OR	238 21.08 James Smith, Mapleton OR	308 18.20 Judy Mundt, Sunriver OR	
47 52.44 Louis Beauchet, Sherwood OR	90 36.84 Gerard Hallee, Portland OR	155 25.94 Irene Pickett, Portland OR	239 21.20 Leslie Kelinson, Portland OR	309 18.20 Judy Mundt, Sunriver OR	
48 52.04 David Caprera, Denver CO	91 37.55 Daniel Hoekstra, Portland OR	156 25.94 Michael Hansen, Vancouver WA	240 21.08 Jon Neimand, Eugene OR	310 18.20 Judy Mundt, Sunriver OR	
49 52.04 Anne Brenner, Denver CO	92 37.53 Rich Carle, Longview WA	157 28.67 John Wolf, Eugene OR	241 21.08 James Smith, Mapleton OR	311 18.13 Molly Harris, Portland OR	
50 51.36 Gregory Herman, Seattle WA	93 36.84 Gerard Hallee, Portland OR	158 28.67 David Partridge, Eugene OR	242 21.08 Jon Neimand, Eugene OR	312 17.97 Paul Walker, Oregon City OR	
51 50.56 Marc Warner, Crozier VA	94 36.45 Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR	159 27.73 Kevin Kacmarynski, Monmouth OR	243 21.08 James Smith, Mapleton OR	313 17.97 Kristin Steinmetz, Portland OR	
52 50.56 Joe Grue, New York NY	95 36.45 Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR	160 27.73 Kevin Kacmarynski, Monmouth OR	244 21.08 James Smith, Mapleton OR	314 17.97 Kristin Steinmetz, Portland OR	
53 50.53 Robert Morris, Houston TX	96 36.45 Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR	161 27.71 Connie Marfell, Milwaukie OR	245 20.84 Kevin Marnell, Portland OR	315 17.80 Wendy Mednick, Portland OR	
54 50.53 Margaret Hart, Baton Rouge LA	97 36.45 Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR	162 27.71 Connie Marfell, Milwaukie OR	246 20.84 Kevin Marnell, Portland OR	316 17.80 Wendy Mednick, Portland OR	
55 50.53 Leo Bell, Carlsbad CA	98 36.45 Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR	163 27.73 Kevin Kacmarynski, Monmouth OR	247 20.84 Kevin Marnell, Portland OR	317 17.80 Wendy Mednick, Portland OR	
56 50.53 Jay Barron, Tulsa OK	99 36.45 Jeffrey Taylor, Eugene OR	164 27.60 Lisa Fishman, Beaverton OR	248 20.84 Kevin Marnell, Portland OR	318 17.80 Wendy Mednick, Portland OR	
57 50.40 Jean-Phillip Weber, Victoria BC	100 35.85 Oris Mowry, Phoenix AZ	165 27.60 Lisa Fishman, Beaverton OR	249 20.84 Kevin Marnell, Portland OR	319 17.80 Wendy Mednick, Portland OR	
58 50.40 Esther Wiebe, Victoria BC	101 35.85 Oris Mowry, Phoenix AZ	166 27.25 Dawn Campbell, Portland OR	250 20.84 Kevin Marnell, Portland OR	320 17.62 Richard Garvin, Corvallis OR	
59 48.23 Roger McNay, Beaverton OR	102 35.85 Oris Mowry, Phoenix AZ	167 27.25 Dawn Campbell, Portland OR	251 20.63 Cynthia Sinn, Lake Oswego OR	321 17.59 David Doerner, Beaverton OR	
60 48.23 Jon Bartlett, Happy Valley OR	103 35.84 Ron Senn, Beaverton OR	168 26.71 Dwayne Brackhahn, Beaverton OR	252 20.61 Nancy Crawford, Portland OR	322 16.93 L. Sullivan, Warrenton OR	
61 45.64 Jerome Gordon, Salem OR	104 35.59 Brian Breckenridge, Tigard OR	169 26.22 Richard Morris, Beaverton OR	253 20.61 Nancy Crawford, Portland OR	323 17.59 David Doerner, Beaverton OR	
62 45.35 Michael Levy, Keizer OR	105 35.30 Joel Datloff, Vancouver WA	170 26.22 Katherine Morris, Beaverton OR	254 20.61 Nancy Crawford, Portland OR	324 17.59 David Doerner, Beaverton OR	
63 45.25 James Wheeler, Ridgefield WA	106 33.32 Pauline Bullert, Vancouver WA	171 26.22 Katherine Morris, Beaverton OR	255 20.61 Nancy Crawford, Portland OR	325 17.59 David Doerner, Beaverton OR	
	107 33.32 Deborah Lackey, Washougal WA	172 26.71 Dwayne Brackhahn, Beaverton OR	256 20.61 Nancy Crawford, Portland OR	326 16.93 L. Sullivan, Warrenton OR	
	108 33.10 Harvey Bush, Green Valley AZ	173 26.71 Dwayne Brackhahn, Beaverton OR	257 20.02 Bruce Peterson, Aloha OR	327 15.79 Ed Canton, Washougal WA	
	109 32.62 Laura Smith, Redmond OR	174 26.71 Dwayne Brackhahn, Beaverton OR	258 20.02 Bruce Peterson, Aloha OR	328 16.54 Alan Stewart, Vancouver WA	
	110 32.62 Larry Smith, Redmond OR	175 26.22 Richard Morris, Beaverton OR	259 20.02 Bruce Peterson, Aloha OR	329 15.42 Flo Savage, Portland OR	
	111 33.30 Carol Harms, Corvallis OR	176 26.22 Katherine Morris, Beaverton OR	260 19.98 Fran Henry-Jansa, Portland OR	330 17.17 Phyllis Sutter, Portland OR	
	112 33.10 Harvey Bush, Green Valley AZ	177 26.71 Dwayne Brackhahn, Beaverton OR	261 19.98 Fran Henry-Jansa, Portland OR	331 17.07 Kent Livingston, Vancouver WA	
	113 32.62 Laura Smith, Redmond OR	178 26.22 Richard Morris, Beaverton OR	262 19.98 Fran Henry-Jansa, Portland OR	332 16.93 L. Sullivan, Warrenton OR	
	114 32.62 Larry Smith, Redmond OR	179 26.22 Richard Morris, Beaverton OR	263 19.64 Mary Hepokoski, Portland OR	333 16.54 Alan Stewart, Vancouver WA	
	115 31.74 Merlin Vilhauer, Beaverton OR	180 25.94 Irene Pickett, Portland OR	264 19.39 Peter Hepokoski, Portland OR	3	

WINNERS AT THE OREGON COAST REGIONAL

Friday Open Pairs (60 pairs)

- 1A Jerry McVay, Lacey WA; Stephen Hosch, Olympia WA
- 2A David Brower, Portland OR; David Green, Sherwood OR
- 3A Robert Todd, Tallahassee FL; Judy Hyde, Los Angeles CA
- 1B Thomas Loveday, Sequim WA; Michael Edwards, Port Townsend WA
- 2B Edward Lee, Portland OR; Eurydice Nours, Richmond BC
- 3B Michael Ainsley, Victoria BC; Sheldon Spier, Chemainus BC
- 1C Thomas Kuehne, Berrington WA; Betsy Brezel, Union WA
- 2C Paul Huntress, Auburn WA; Paul Evanoff, Kent WA
- 3C James Madison, Silver Creek WA; David Wigoutoff, Astoria OR

Friday Oyster Gold Pairs (52 pairs)

- 1C Timothy Niebauer – Patti Tussey, Boulder CO
- 2C Ann Larson – Noeline Myers, Corvallis OR
- 3C Kamlesh Batra – Shiv Batra, Mercer Island WA
- 1D/E Ron Delbecq – Jon Ransom, Bellingham WA
- 2D/E Johanna Thoresz – Karen Douek, Portland OR
- 3D Sandra Farley – Austin Farley, Tacoma WA
- 3E Mary Stoa, Shoreline WA; Janice Fallen, Arlington WA

Friday Morning Side Pairs (32 pairs)

- 1A Russ Jones, Jonesboro AR; Michael McGuire, Hernando MS
- 2A/1B Ray Coleman, Spanaway WA; Iris West, Federal Way WA
- 3A Michael Mikyska, Los Angeles CA; Ifikhar Baqai, Irvine CA
- 2B Bill McGeary – Sheryl Clough, Clinton WA
- 3-5B/1-2C Karen Eveland, Lewiston ID; Catherine Goetz, Clarkston WA
- 3-5B Nancy Wetherson – Jack Wetherson, Keizer OR
- 3-5B/1-2C Larry Marshall, Cannon Beach OR; John Curtis, Astoria OR
- 3C Roger Thomas, West Linn OR; Jon Gassaway, Beaverton OR

Friday Morning 299er Pairs (27 pairs)

- 1D Karen Klug – Norman Jacox, Portland OR
- 2D/1E Margaret Walthall – Wylie Walthall, Sequim WA
- 3D/2E/1F Martin Nice – Ali Nice, Eugene OR
- 3E/2F Susan Burgott – George Burgott, Eugene OR
- 3F Sue McMullen – Diane Bricker, Eugene OR

Friday Afternoon Side Pairs (74 pairs)

- 1A/B Marla Patterson – David Fallen, Arlington WA
- 2A Sam Asai, Hood River OR; Barbara McKay, Alamo CA
- 3A/2B Susan Wheeler – G. Steve Wheeler, Castle Rock CO
- 3B/1C Jacqueline Fennel, Parksville BC; Lorna Veitch, Qualicum Beach BC
- 2C Carol Ramberg – Irene White, Fair Oaks Ranch TX
- 3C Edwin Miller, Ashland OR; Robert Simpson, Ocean Shores WA

Friday Afternoon 299er Pairs (30 pairs)

- 1D/E Beth Unger – John Seibert, Portland OR
- 2D Cheryn Grant, Portland OR; Carol Buchanan, Gold River CA
- 3D Judith McMakin, Palm Desert CA; Marilyn Duvall, Bellevue WA
- 2E Miki Paskett – Sid Paskett, Orem UT
- 3E/1F Ronald McMullen, Shoreline WA; Terri Volland, Seattle WA
- 2F Marjorie Bathum – Polly Bonnell, Bellevue WA
- 3F Sandra Emmons – Anita Caviglia, Newberg OR

Friday Afternoon 99er Pairs (12 pairs)

- 1G/I Judie Rubert – Penny Storry, Neskowin OR
- 2G/H Susan Raines – Kathleen Petrucela, Corvallis OR
- 3G/H Linnea Vukasovich – Sandi Laroche, Siletz OR

Friday Evening Side Pairs (30 pairs)

- 1A/B Shahla Carter, Olympia WA; Margi Redden, Portland OR
- 2A Sam Asai, Hood River OR; Barbara McKay, Alamo CA
- 3A/2B Ray Coleman, Spanaway WA; Iris West, Federal Way WA
- 3B/1C Otis Leathers, McCleary WA; Robert Simpson, Ocean Shores WA
- 2C Grant Deger – Rebecca Brown, Bellingham WA
- 3-4C Fay Bronson, Tenino WA; Kris Gupta, Olympia WA
- 3-4C Diane Paszkowski – Barbara Lombardy, Billings MT

Friday Evening 299er Pairs (10 pairs)

- 1D/E Patt McConnell – Donald McConnell, Portland OR
- 2D/E Linda Rountree – Richard Rountree, Lake Oswego OR
- 3D/E/1F Irma Jean McKinney, Loon Lake WA; Jim Boylan, Salem OR
- 2F Margaret Matin, Portland OR; Susan Hall, Corvallis OR

Friday Evening Swiss Teams (52 teams)

- 1A Dawn Campbell – Irene Pickett, Portland OR; Roger McNay, Beaverton OR; Jon Bartlett, Happy Valley OR
- 2A Don Herring, Lake Oswego OR; Tim Rilling, Vancouver WA; James Flint, Ashland OR; Richard Carle, Longview WA
- 3A Aaron Jones, North Bethesda MD; Mark Peterson, Larkspur CA; Ron Smith, Chicago IL; Brenda Jacobus, Las Vegas NV
- 1B Edgar L'Heureux, White Rock BC; Jack Johnson, Surrey BC; Edee Rumley – Diane Griffiths, Langley BC
- 2B Melinda Westgate, Mercer Island WA; Valerie Lycette, Issaquah WA; George Delp – April Delp, Gainesville GA
- 3B Donald Amend – Janice Amend, Ocean Park WA; Sandra Baker, Seaside OR; Maryjane Swynenburg, Cannon Beach OR
- 1C Carol Ramberg – Irene White, Fair Oaks Ranch TX; Alberta Birk – Linda Reichenau, Mason TX
- 2C Donald Cottam, Puyallup WA; Cecie Vatne, Rochester WA; Ronald Brady, Onalaska WA; Anita Woods, Lacey WA
- 3C Lucie Fritz – Leanne Zaring – Mary Ferguson, Richland WA; Donna Parkes, Kennewick WA

Saturday, Oct. 5

Sand Dollar Friday-Saturday K0 1 (16 teams)

- 1 Nanette Noland, Baton Rouge LA; Mike Passell, Plano TX; Eddie Wold, Houston TX; Marc Jacobus, Las Vegas NV
- 2 Gregory Herman – Ray Miller, Seattle WA; David Caprera – Anne Brenner, Denver CO
- 3-4 Susan Miller, Boca Raton FL; Oris Mowry, Phoenix AZ; Buzz Farnes, Midvale UT; Paul Markarian, Lancaster CA
- 3-4 Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA; Mikael Rimstedt – Ola Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden

Sand Dollar Friday-Saturday K0 2 (16 teams)

- 1 John Cissel – Stephen Nafus – Craig Jones, Boise ID; Harvey Bush, Green Valley AZ
- 2 Kevin Kacmarynski, Monmouth OR; Brian Breckenridge, Tigard OR; Carol Harms – Dennis Harms, Corvallis OR
- 3-4 Sue Anderson – David Taylor – Amy DeShaw – Cynthia Glad, Seattle WA; Elaine DeShaw, Federal Way WA
- 3-4 Ron Senn – D Senn, Beaverton OR; Bonnie Fortune, Newberg OR; Marta Cannell, Hood River OR

Sand Dollar Friday-Saturday K0 3 (15 teams)

- 1 Jerold Wershba – Felicia Wershba – Teresa Duewer, Portland OR; Ira Grifel, Lake Oswego OR
- 2 Harry Satanove, Vancouver BC; Thomas Anderson, North Vancouver BC; Andy Hellquist, Surrey BC; Debbie Martignago, Coquitlam BC

- 3-4 Ann Romeo, Seattle WA; Judy Davis, Beaverton OR; Brian Thomas, Portland OR; Jim Windus, Vancouver WA
- 3-4 Louis Beauchet, Sherwood OR; Ray Robert – Jamie Sparks – Gene Hval, Portland OR

Sand Dollar Friday-Saturday K0 4 (16 teams)

- 1 Mike Derrenberger, Port Ludlow WA; Gordon Chin, Bainbridge Isle WA; Bonnie Broders – Eileen Deutsch, Port Townsend WA
- 2 Paul Lund – Susan Anderson – Joann Okumura, Salt Lake City UT; Wendy Sexton, Coram MT
- 3-4 Deborah Lackey, Washougal WA; Pauline Bullert – David Muller, Vancouver WA; Roy Wilkinson, Portland OR
- 3-4 Lynn Perey – Louise Johns, Beaverton OR; Barbara Stirling, Portland OR; Carol Schmid, Lake Oswego OR

Sand Dollar Friday-Saturday K0 5 (16 teams)

- 1 Giff Kassebaum – James Kassebaum, Sonoma AZ; Phyllis Sutter, Portland OR; Maria Hakkli, Marco Island FL
- 2 Daryl Krepps – Gloria Shabbits, Nanaimo BC; Gary Alan Nolin, Parksville BC; Carmen von Bothmer, Salt Lake City UT
- 3-4 Michelle Harlow – Robert Davis – Anita Davis, Durango CO; Pauline Pettinato, Tucson AZ
- 3-4 Marcia Taylor – Maureen Steele, Nanaimo BC; Michael Claassen – Lorna Logan, Bandon OR

Saturday Open Pairs (62 pairs)

- 1A Sherman Gao, Breia CA; Robert Micone, Tustin CA
- 2A Don Lowry, Wilsonville OR; Lynne Schaeffer, Portland OR
- 3A Michael Schreiber, Plano TX; Robert McClendon, Ponte Vedra FL
- 1B/C Linda Kelly, Eagle River AK; Richard Kelly, Grimes IA
- 2B Lea Rogers – Jeanie Wolff, Spokane WA
- 3B Larry Smith – Laura Smith, Redmond OR
- 2C Thomas Kuehne, Berrington WA; Betsy Brezel, Union WA
- 3C Gary Mallett – Sally Mallett, New Martinsville WV

Saturday Steelhead Gold Pairs (44 pairs)

- 1C/E Bruce Baker-Harvey – Jeannie Falls, Seattle WA
- 2C Patti Tussey – Timothy Niebauer, Boulder CO
- 3C/2D/E Linda Rountree – Richard Rountree, Lake Oswego OR
- 3D Bruce Goldwater – Karen Goldwater, Lake Oswego OR
- 3E Juliene Richards, Santa Barbara CA; Fran Henry-Jansa, Portland OR

Saturday Jellyfish Compact K0 1 (12 teams)

- 1 Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; John Schermer, Seattle WA; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX; Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ
- 2 Jon Gustafson, Manzanita OR; Samuel Asai, Hood River OR; Sandra Robson, New Westminster BC; L. Sullivan, Warrenton OR
- 3 Joe Grue, New York NY; Marc Warner, Crozier VA; Margaret Peterson, Larkspur CA; Greg Hinze, San Antonio TX

Saturday Jellyfish Compact K0 2 (12 teams)

- 1 Charles Swart, Alameda CA; Michael Eyer, Lake Oswego OR; James Wheeler, Ridgefield WA; Dennis Balfe, University City MO
- 2 Ross Bates – Dorothy Dore, Castlegar BC; Alden Edwards – Bud Craig, Kelowna BC
- 3 Richard Morris – Katherine Morris, Beaverton OR; Ann Marie Gramson – Gilbert Gramson, Warrenton OR

Saturday Jellyfish Compact K0 3 (14 teams)

- 1 Jean-Philipp Weber – Esther Wiebe – Tony Farr – Danielle Goulet, Victoria BC
- 2 Cheryl Berens, Oakland OR; Linda Hann – Brenda Biermann, Roseburg OR; Karen Jachetta, Trabuco Canyon CA
- 3 Edgar L'Heureux, White Rock BC; Jack Johnson, Surrey BC; Diane Griffiths – Edee Rumley, Langley BC

Saturday Jellyfish Compact K0 4 (15 teams)

- 1 Bruce Peterson, Aloha OR; Aaron Mohrman, Seattle WA; Justin Beck, Sherwood OR; Kevin Marnell, Portland OR
- 2 Gary Johnson – Carol Johnson, Beaverton OR; William Rylander – Deborah Cosier, Wilsonville OR
- 3 Emmett Doherty – Peggy Doherty, Henderson NV; Robert Underwood – Elizabeth Underwood, Incline Village NV

Saturday Jellyfish Compact K0 5 (16 teams)

- 1 Thad Smith – Mindy Smith, Boulder CO; Donald Pitt – Jerome Gordon, Salem OR
- 2 Carroll Vaughan – Russell Vaughan, Federal Way WA; Robin Farmer, Seatac WA; Stanley Slete, Auburn WA
- 3 Leanne Zaring – Lucie Fritz – Mary Ferguson, Richland WA; Donna Parkes, Kennewick WA

Friday-Saturday Morning Swiss Teams (21 teams)

- 1A John Schermer, Seattle WA; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX; Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI
- 2A/1B Michael Green, Newberg OR; Kevin Kacmarynski, Monmouth OR; Randy Naef, McMinnville OR; Brian Breckenridge, Tigard OR
- 3A Lynn Leisy, Amelia Island FL; Michael Dalton, Palm Coast FL; Robert McClendon, Ponte Vedra FL; Michael Schreiber, Plano TX
- 2B Ken Cornelius – Mary Cornelius – Kevin Marnell, Portland OR; Bruce Peterson, Aloha OR
- 3B Fraser Glen, North Battleford SK; Wayne Fahie, Saskatoon SK; Bob Nell, Zehner SK; Rick Grieman, Regina SK
- 1C Mary Hanni – Bruce Hanni, Eagle ID; Susan Vollmer – Dian Williams, Federal Way WA

Saturday Morning Side Pairs (26 pairs)

- 1A Teri Smoot, Placerville CA; Ginny Curtis, Citrus Heights CA
- 2A/1B/C Wanda Deisman – Mary Dewar, Nanaimo BC
- 3-4A/2B Russell Wing, Gig Harbor WA; Paul Bartron, Tacoma WA
- 3-4A Peter Barthels – Theresa Barthels, Cheney WA
- 3B Jim Sherman – Don Gile, Boise ID
- 2C Stephen Black – N. Dennis Berg, Santa Barbara CA
- 3C Karen Eveland, Lewiston ID; Catherine Goetz, Clarkston WA

Saturday Morning 299er Pairs (26 pairs)

- 1D/E Graham Budd – Marg Budd, Cobble Hill BC
- 2D/E Bruce Baker-Harvey – Jeannie Falls, Seattle WA
- 3D/E Jack Urick – Ann Urick, Sedona AZ
- 1F Sally Ann Wells, Walla Walla WA; Judhi Chopping, Gearhart OR
- 2F Diane Bricker – Sue McMullen, Eugene OR
- 3F Martin Nice – Ali Nice, Eugene OR

Saturday Afternoon Side Pairs (36 pairs)

- 1A/B Marianne Daem, Nanaimo BC; Ben Sills, Powell River BC
- 2A Jim Johnsen, San Diego CA; Harriet Smith, Atlanta GA
- 3A Gene Fomin, Glacier WA; Ron Woodard, Olympia WA
- 2B Jim Sherman – Don Gile, Boise ID
- 3B Carol Orzetti, Redmond OR; Rosalyn Borys, Vancouver WA
- 1C Stephen Prokop – Charles Carter, Brookings OR
- 2C Harry Oliver – Sharon Oliver, Salem OR
- 3C N. Dennis Berg – Maria Black, Santa Barbara CA

Saturday Afternoon 299er Pairs (24 pairs)

- 1D/E Dennis Scharer, Lake Oswego OR; Maryann Wood, Portland OR
- 2D Terry Vokos – Peter Vokos, Bend OR
- 3D/2E Sally Ann Wells, Walla Walla WA; Judhi Chopping, Gearhart OR
- 3E/1F Richard Weinstein – Lynda Campf Weinstein, Portland OR
- 2F Sandra Emmons – Anita Caviglia, Newberg OR

Saturday Evening Side Pairs (24 pairs)

- 1A Michael Dalton, Palm Coast FL; Lynn Leisy, Amelia Island FL
- 2A Nicholas France, Spring Valley NY; Judy Hess, Kirkland WA
- 3A/1B Richard D'Litzenberger – Brian Koblenz, Leavenworth WA
- 2B Dianne Cox – Dennis Duryea, Redmond WA
- 3B/1C Keith Carter, Sandpoint ID; Bill Drayton, Sagle ID
- 2C Otis Leathers, McCleary WA; Robert Simpson, Ocean Shores WA
- 3C Diane Paszkowski – Barbara Lombardy, Billings MT

Saturday Evening Swiss Teams (35 teams)

- 1A James Flint, Ashland OR; Richard Carle, Longview WA; Don Herring, Lake Oswego OR; Tim Rilling, Vancouver WA
- 2A Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA; Mikael Rimstedt – Ola Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden
- 3-4A Oris Mowry, Phoenix AZ; Buzz Farnes, Midvale UT; Paul Markarian, Lancaster CA; Susan Miller, Boca Raton FL
- 3-4A Kerry Cotterell – Ellen Cotterell, Freeland WA; Dennis Heller – Connie Heller, Clinton WA
- 1B Fraser Glen, North Battleford SK; Wayne Fahie, Saskatoon SK; Rick Grieman, Regina SK; Bob Nell, Zehner SK
- 2B David Muller – Kimberly Dauphin, Vancouver WA; Roy Wilkinson – Margi Redden, Portland OR
- 3B Judith Stewart – Susan Taylor, Vancouver WA; Linda Yount, Federal Way WA; Jill Entsminger, Henderson NV
- 1C Roger Thomas, West Linn OR; Jon Gassaway, Beaverton OR; Kathi Marcus, Lake Oswego OR; Patrick Howard, Tigard OR
- 2C Ginny Kopacz – Judith Wilkinson – Barbara Ball, Portland OR; Terry Strand, Wilsonville OR
- 3C Wanda Deisman – Joy Tangen – Mary Dewar – Darlene Carolsfeld, Nanaimo BC

Sunday, Oct. 6

Sunday A/X/Y Swiss Teams (48 teams)

- 1A Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA; Mikael Rimstedt – Ola Rimstedt, Halmstad Sweden
- 2A Daniel Hoekstra, Portland OR; Michael Schreiber, Plano TX; Robert McClendon, Ponte Vedra FL; Bjorgvin Kristinsson, Columbia Heights MN
- 3-4A John Schermer, Seattle WA; Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio TX; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI
- 3-4A Ray Miller – Gregory Herman, Seattle WA; Jeffrey Ford, Redmond WA; Kim Eng, Issaquah WA
- 1X Ron Root – Katherine Morris – Richard Morris, Beaverton OR; Cynthia Sinn, Lake Oswego OR
- 2X Edward Lee – Rick Prouser – Ray Robert, Portland OR; Tom Joyce, East Hartford CT
- 3X Christopher Gibbons, Tigard OR; Eric Sieg, Issaquah WA; Aaron Mohrman – David Taylor, Seattle WA
- 1Y Louis Beauchet, Sherwood OR; David Muller, Vancouver WA; Roy Wilkinson – Kevin Marnell, Portland OR
- 2Y Orrin Robbins – Patricia Robbins, Olympia WA; Bert Adams – Carolyn Adams, Steilacoom WA
- 3Y Dean Altschuler, Bellingham WA; Isabel Chernoff, Surrey BC; Dan Webster, Aldergrove BC; Garry Skoropada, Maple Ridge BC

Sunday Bracketed B Round Robin 1 (8 teams)

- 1 Diane Griffiths – Edee Rumley, Langley BC; Edgar L'Heureux, White Rock BC; Jack Johnson, Surrey BC
- 2 Kent Livingston – Alan Stewart, Vancouver WA; Holly Hummel – Renee Ferrera, Portland OR
- 3 Donald Berry – Russell Page – Terry Foster, Victoria BC; Lorenzo Migliorini, Seattle WA

Sunday Bracketed B Round Robin 2 (8 teams)

- 1 Peggy Doherty – Emmett Doherty, Henderson NV; Robert Underwood – Elizabeth Underwood, Incline Village NV
- 2 John Curtis – Lewis Richardson Jr. – Monica Taylor, Astoria OR; Larry Marshall, Cannon Beach OR
- 3 Ronald Mundt – Judy Mundt, Sunriver OR; Joan Borberg, Portland OR; Ginny Gainer, Portland OR

Sunday Bracketed B Round Robin 3 (8 teams)

- 1 Paul Lund – Joann Okumura – Susan Anderson, Salt Lake City UT; Wendy Sexton, Coram MT
- 2 Fay Bronson, Tenino WA; John Underwood – Suman Gupta – Kris Gupta, Olympia WA
- 3-4 James Hurlburt – Dianne Maffia, Bend OR; Carmen von Bothmer, Salt Lake City UT; Lorraine Rodich, Redmond OR
- 3-4 Donald Cottam, Puyallup WA; Cecie Vatne, Rochester WA; Ronald Brady, Onalaska WA; Anita Woods, Lacey WA

Sunday Bracketed B Round Robin 4 (8 teams)

- 1 Robert Hines – Sara Hines, Eureka CA; Jackie Haugen, Cottonwood AZ; William Kinney, Flagstaff AZ
- 2 Karen Eveland, Lewiston ID; Catherine Goetz, Clarkston WA; Bill Drayton, Sagle ID; Keith Carter, Sandpoint ID
- 3 Jerome Gordon – Donald Pitt, Salem OR; Paul Thomas, Murdo SD; Jacquelyn Hafen, Newport OR

Sunday Bracketed B Round Robin 5 (8 teams)

- 1 Pauline Pettinato, Tucson AZ; Michelle Harlow – Robert Davis – Anita Davis, Durango CO
- 2 Joan Spence – Joyce Spence, Eugene OR; Harry Oliver – Sharon Oliver, Salem OR
- 3-4 Patti Tussey – Timothy Niebauer, Boulder CO; Juliene Richards, Santa Barbara CA; Fran Henry-Jansa, Portland OR
- 3-4 Luanne Stoltz – Joanne Ruyle – Stuart Director, Portland OR; Linda Marshall, Beaverton OR

Sunday Bracketed B Round Robin 6 (5 teams)

- 1 Sheryl Williams – Ginger McCarthy – Kathleen Hart – Sally Miller, Portland OR
- 2 Donald McConnell – Patt McConnell – Ricardo Berdichevsky – Carina Cassim, Portland OR

Sunday Fast Pairs (33 pairs)

- 1A Marc Warner, Crozier VA; Joe Grue, New York NY
- 2A Vladislav Ipsorki, Sofia Bulgaria; Phyllis Yates, San Diego CA
- 3A Evelyn Goedhart, Saanichton BC; Ted Heck, Victoria BC
- 1B/C Karen Rise, Leavenworth WA; Nobi Morris, Wenatchee WA
- 2B Steven Drew – Marion Hull, McMinnville OR
- 3B Tony Farr – Danielle Goulet, Victoria BC
- 2C Paul Huntress, Auburn WA; Paul Evanoff, Kent WA



An excavator was digging on the west side of the Seaside Convention Center hours before the Oregon Coast Regional began Monday, Sept. 30. It finished shortly after 5:30 p.m., pulled itself onto a flatbed truck and was gone by 6, an hour before game time.



SCHEDULE

Monday, Feb. 17

- 7 p.m. Columbia River Bracketed KOs (winners continue at 1 & 7 Tuesday)
- 7 p.m. Stratified Open Charity Pairs (Evening Side Game Series 1 of 6)
- 7 p.m. ♦ **Mon-Tues Evening Gold Rush Pairs**

Single session entries welcome for all evening Gold Rush Pairs

Tuesday, Feb. 18

- 9 a.m. Morning Side Game Series (1 of 5)
- 9 a.m. & 1:15 p.m. ♦ **Honeysuckle Gold Rush Pairs**
- 1 & 7 p.m. ABC Pairs
- 1 & 7 p.m. AXY Swiss Teams
- 1 & 7 p.m. Bracketed Round Robin Teams (0-2500)
- 1 p.m. Afternoon Side Game Series (1 of 5)
- 1 p.m. ♦ 299er Stratified Pairs
- 7 p.m. Stratified Swiss Teams
- 7 p.m. ♦ **Mon-Tues Evening Gold Rush Pairs**
- 7 p.m. Evening Side Game Series (2 of 6)

Wednesday, Feb. 19

- 9 a.m. Morning Side Game Series (2 of 5)
- 9 a.m. & 1:15 p.m. ♦ **Rose Gold Rush Pairs**
- 1 p.m. Vancouver Bracketed KOs (winners continue at 7; and at 1 & 7 Thursday)
- 1 & 7 p.m. ABC Pairs
- 1 p.m. Afternoon Side Game Series (2 of 5)
- 1 p.m. ♦ 299er Stratified Pairs
- 7 p.m. Open Single Session Swiss Teams
- 7 p.m. 0-2500 Single Session Swiss Teams
- 7 p.m. ♦ **Wed-Thur Evening Gold Rush Pairs**
- 7 p.m. Evening Side Game Series (3 of 6)

Thursday, Feb. 20

- 9 a.m. Morning Side Game Series (3 of 5)
- 9 a.m. & 1:15 p.m. ♦ **Rhododendron Gold Rush Pairs**
- 1 & 7 p.m. ABC Pairs
- 1 & 7 p.m. AXY Swiss Teams
- 1 & 7 p.m. Bracketed Round Robin Teams (0-2500)
- 1 p.m. Afternoon Side Game Series (3 of 5)
- 1 p.m. ♦ 299er Stratified Pairs
- 7 p.m. Stratified Swiss Teams
- 7 p.m. ♦ **Wed-Thur Evening Gold Rush Pairs**
- 7 p.m. Evening Side Game Series (4 of 6)

Friday, Feb. 21

- 9 a.m. & 1:15 p.m. ♦ **Azalea Gold Rush Pairs**
- 1 p.m. Jim Elliott Memorial Bracketed KOs (winners continue at 7; and at 1 & 7 Saturday)
- 1 & 7 p.m. ABC Pairs
- 1 p.m. Afternoon Side Game Series (4 of 5)
- 1 p.m. ♦ 299er Stratified Pairs
- 7 p.m. Open Single Session Swiss Teams
- 7 p.m. 0-2500 Single Session Swiss Teams
- 7 p.m. ♦ **Fri-Sat Evening Gold Rush Pairs**
- 7 p.m. Evening Side Game Series (5 of 6)

Saturday, Feb. 22

- 9 a.m. Morning Side Game Series (5 of 5)
- 9 a.m. & 1:15 p.m. ♦ **Tulip Gold Rush Pairs**
- 1 & 7 p.m. ABC Pairs
- 1 & 7 p.m. AXY Swiss Teams
- 1 & 7 p.m. Bracketed Round Robin Teams (0-2500)
- 1 p.m. Afternoon Side Game Series (5 of 5)
- 1 p.m. ♦ 299er Stratified Pairs
- 7 p.m. Stratified Swiss Teams
- 7 p.m. ♦ **Fri-Sat Evening Gold Rush Pairs**
- 1 p.m. Evening Side Game Series (6 of 6)

Sunday, Feb. 23

- 10 a.m. & TBA AXY Swiss Teams
- 10 a.m. & TBA .. Bracketed Round Robin Teams (0-2500)
- 10 a.m. & 1 p.m. Stratified Fast Pairs
- 10 a.m. ♦ 299er Stratified Swiss Teams

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- ♦ **Gold Rush Pairs ♦ Prize beads ♦**

STRATIFICATIONS

- ABC Pairs: Open/3000/1500
- ♦ Gold Rush Pairs (Under 750): 750/300/200
- ♦ 299er Stratified Events (Under 300): 300/100/50
- Open Single Session Swiss Teams: Open/5000/3000
- 0-2500 Single Session Swiss Teams: 2500/1250/500
- AXY Swiss Teams: Open/5000/3000
- Bracketed Round Robin Teams (All players under 2500): Groups by MP range; gold points in each group.
- Stratified Swiss, Side & Fast Pairs: Open/2500/1000
- Eligibility for flighted events based on top player's MP total. Thereafter, strats determined by average of pair or team.
- ♦ Indicates I/N (Intermediate/Newcomer) events.

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Charity: Giving-minded players spear efforts at their clubs for local charities

David Green, Ace of Clubs

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Her ultimate goal is to improve the overall high school graduation rates.

They also give each child they help something for Christmas. Green decided to tap into his fellow bridge mates at the Ace of Clubs to help with the collection of items.

"Children typically receives all new clothing: shoes, winter coats, socks, pajamas, underwear, school clothes, as well as blankets and, of course, Christmas presents," says Green.

"Children are recommended to us by the schools."

Green says they also aid children during the school year with referrals from schools and the local police department.

Green has seen astounding success in raising donations at the club.

"The Ace ownership has been kind enough for the last seven years to allow us to set up a giving tree each year and ask the players for support," Green says. "The Ace has become one of our major sponsors." Last year, with the help of his fellow players, Green and S4KS were able to provide for 440 children at Christmas.

And while S4KS is not the sole reason for improving the graduation rate, school counselors feel they have been a major contributor.

"When a child can attend school and not be embarrassed by their clothing, they tend to feel that they belong and have an improved attitude about school," Green says.

To donate to S4KS, contact Green at 503-625-7565, or send to S4KS, P.O. Box 201, Sherwood OR 97140.



Dave Green



Home Youth & Resource Center in Salem is one of three charities supported by the Salem Bridge Club.

Jean Johansson, Portland Bridge Club

Jean Johansson has been supporting the Oregon Food Bank at the Portland Bridge Club for four years. She specifically gives to this charity because food insecurity is a big issue in her community.

"About 553,000 Oregonians are food insecure — and, of those, 194,070 are children," Johansson says.

The decision to involve her bridge mates was an easy one. She believed because they all have so much, they would be happy to pay it forward. It's also been a relatively easy process



Jean Johansson

to go about raising donations for the Oregon Food Bank because they're collecting only one item, peanut butter.

"It comes in all sizes, so it fits all players' budgets," Johansson says. And she adds a helpful tip: "If you ask, often stores will match."



Portland Bridge Club collects peanut butter.

To encourage donations, she puts out a large box at the Portland Bridge Club and a sign.

"Club members are generous," Johansson says. Last year, the club collected 253 jars. Since her efforts began, Johansson and the Portland Bridge Club have collectively donated more than 500 jars of peanut butter to the Oregon Food Bank.

"We can all do a small thing to help another. It's our rent payment for being a tenant of earth," she says.

Shain Oleson, Salem Bridge Club

Shain Oleson has been supporting three different charities for the past seven years. He works closely with the Community Action Agency's Home Youth & Resource Center in conjunction with Taylor's House, the Marion/Polk Food Share, and the Humane Society.

According to Oleson, HYRC has two components: one is a drop-in day center for at-risk and homeless teens, 11-17; the second is Taylor's House, a 24-hour day shelter for teens, 11-18, who need housing.

"HYRC provides food, clothing, hygiene items, school supplies, a jobs program, and social activities," says Oleson. "Taylor's House has 10 beds, and the goal is to help find stable, long-term housing, working with families, DHS and other agencies."

Marion/Polk Food Share provides food to local food banks and agencies that provide meals to those in need.

"Every month more than 46,000 people receive nutritious food through the program," Oleson says.

The Humane Society fights to end suffering of animals. "Each year they care for more than a thousand animals through rescue teams, sanctuaries, and wildlife centers," says Oleson.

Oleson is a firm believer in helping people help themselves, but feels people need to make sure those in need don't fall through the cracks while learning.

"HYRC helps youths learn the skills they need to be successful while making sure that they have their basic needs met," Oleson says.

Oleson decided to bring his efforts to the Salem Bridge Club because he thinks it's important for all do what they can to make things right. "Together we can make our community a better place for everyone," he says.

The club has an annual holiday charity drive. "Often these charities will come and speak to our members before our larger games to let everyone know what they do," he says. "We also do a back-to-school drive to collect school supplies in August."

Oleson says the club's charity drive typically raises between \$2,000 and \$3,000 just for the charities he supports. The Salem Bridge Club and its members have raised more than \$30,000 in total to support various charities over seven years.

Oleson encourages others to donate to charities. "Even small amounts can make a huge difference in the lives of those in need," he says.



Shain Oleson

KnitWits, Honolulu Unit 470

By Ann Russell

Founded by Edith Neff in partnership with Charles Goren, KnitWits is a group of knitters with a founding base in bridge. Over the years, we have worked on many group projects, such as knitting hats for the homeless in Dallas, Texas, and scarves for children in Bhutan and for homeless men in Utah.

We meet the third Wednesday of each month to share our projects, get advice, provide encouragement and, most importantly, to enjoy the camaraderie.

During odd-numbered months, we meet at the Elks of Waikiki. It is on the



The KnitWits, a group of bridge-playing knitters, are knitting scarves for chemo patients in Hawaii and homeless veterans on the mainland.

leeward side of the island. (Knitting by the seaside is highly recommended!) During even-numbered months, we meet on the windward side in homes

and private clubs.

Neff recently died at the age of 93. She was an institution on the Hawaii bridge scene. She was a mentor and very generous in sharing her knowledge of both bridge and knitting.

Neff left her yarn stash — eight large plastic tubs — to the KnitWits. We are using some of the yarn to knit scarves for chemo patients in Hawaii and homeless veterans on the mainland.

KnitWits recently met to decide whether to continue as a group. Without Neff, we were unsure of our viability. The answer is yes. Neff did a superb job in starting us. And now we look forward to building on her good work and continuing to grow in our craft.

Expert Tip

Know card combinations.

A very experienced player missed this one at a recent Seaside regional. Missing five cards, you are in 6♦, not the best spot, needing to bring in this combo for one loser: Q 10 x in dummy opposite A 9 8 x x.

The best percentage is to lead the Q for a double finesse, about 75%. The next best play is to play the A and lead up to Q 10.

Add a card to either hand and the play of the A then lead up to Q 10 is best.

Playing various card combinations to best advantage can be found in Watson's "Play of the Hand," in bridge encyclopedias, and on various websites.



Jeff Taylor

— Jeff Taylor

By Steve Kaessner

For The Trumpet

About a year ago, tournament director **Steve Kaessner** decided to start having some fun with the Sunday Swiss teams at the sectionals he runs, including the Gold Country Sectional in Nevada City in October. The idea was to name the Swiss in honor of some person or event associated with the day of the Swiss teams.

Wikipedia offers a wide array of options for Oct. 20, such as the birthday of Mickey Mantle in 1931 or Nixon's Saturday Night Massacre in 1973. Or the 1968 wedding of Jacqueline Kennedy and Aristotle Onassis.

Steve was hoping for 16 teams like we had in 2018. At the end of the sale, 15

The Jackie O Swiss Teams

teams had arrived with the entry slip for Team 4 remaining. Oh well, we will have to have a round-robin and it's way too much of a hassle to lower the numbers of all the teams from 5 to 16 by one numeral.

Thus, Steve was presented with another fun option he hasn't had for a while: creating a fictitious team. Team 4 was captained by John F. Kennedy Jr., with teammates Jackie and Ari Onassis and Peter Lawford (who plays only Acol). The Kennedy team had an average start, but came back after lunch with a big blitz and was in second place with 57 victory points after round four. The leaders (Bloom)

were surprised when they didn't get matched up with the Kennedy team.

With famous people like that in the room, you would think someone would notice. Steve has been not totally surprised, but a bit disappointed that bridge players are so focused on their own game and partnership that they seldom seem to notice any subordinate activity going on in the background. However, there was one player in the room, **Kurt Browning**, who, at the beginning of round four, was at least savvy to wonder out loud why it was necessary to have a round-robin since the event had an even number of teams.

The director, knowing that the Kennedy team was withdrawing, told Kurt that the mystery would come to light in round five.



Jackie Onassis

Tolliver: Player will spend retirement exploring Colombia, nearby countries

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At the opening ceremonies, when the teams and players were introduced, the South Americans cheered, clapped and sang while players from most of the world proceeded quietly.

“They were an excitable group and it was fun to watch them,” Tolliver said.

As retirement approached, Tolliver considered what he might do with his free time. He decided to learn Spanish, planning to visit historic sites in South and Central America. He began researching the countries in hopes of finding one that would provide a suitable home. He looked for a place free from the drawbacks that plague many countries in the region: financial difficulties, high inflation, unbearable pollution, frequent earthquakes or flooding. He settled on Colombia.

“Colombia had been home to the infamous drug cartels, but after a decade-long struggle with corruption and violence, the country eradicated the cartels and has been a thriving country ever since,” Tolliver said. “The people are welcoming and the climate is – depending on what you like and the location – almost ideal.”

Tolliver cited Medellin, a mountain city where temperatures are in the 60–80-degree range year-round, as an example. But he’s starting in Bogota, the fourth-largest city in Latin America.

He visited Colombia a few times and liked what he saw: a population of predominantly active, healthy people with very few smokers and little obesity. There’s a community of expats from the U.S., Canada and Europe, and frequent flights to the United States are available.

Tolliver grew up in Socorro, N.M., a small town, playing chess throughout high school and exploring the world through stamp collecting. He moved to Albuquerque to attend the University of New Mexico in the early 1970s.

One day at the student union, he was called to a table by a chess player he knew, where three guys were desperately seeking a fourth for bridge.



After 35 years in Portland, Mark Tolliver moved to Bogota, Colombia, in early November. He plans to spend his retirement exploring the country and others in Central and South America. One of the top players in the district, Tolliver is an Emerald Life Master with more than 8000 masterpoints who has played in a few world championships, including a fourth-place finish in the 2015 D’Orsi Senior Teams.

“I, of course, explained that I had zero, and I mean zero, knowledge of bridge, but they refused to be denied,” he said. “They said they would tell me what to do and whoever was dummy would help me play my cards.”

He got the typical points spiel: aces are 4, kings are 3, etc., plus points for distribution. They told him you need 13 points to open, but only 11 of them need to be in honor points. “My head was swimming,” Tolliver said.

Soon a hand came up where Tolliver, in

third seat, held four aces, three kings, two queens and a jack: 30 HCP but “only” 10 honors. Thinking he needed 11 honors to open, Tolliver passed! When the hand was passed out, the other players, holding 4, 3 and 3 points, suspected something was amiss. “They grabbed my 30-point hand and were howling,” he said.

While Tolliver thought the game seemed fun, he discovered one crucial advantage bridge had over chess: women. “Young women played bridge, but there wasn’t more than one woman who played

in all the chess tournaments I attended,” Tolliver said. “This seemed like a good game!”

He went to the bookstore immediately after the game and bought some bridge books. Because several of the good chess players in Albuquerque were also strong bridge players, he quickly had a network of players happy to help mentor him.

As he progressed as a bridge player, Tolliver realized the level of competition in Albuquerque wasn’t strong enough for him to achieve his goals.

“If I wanted to really play against world-class players, I was going to have to live in a city like Los Angeles, Chicago or New York,” Tolliver said. “So, I joined the Coast Guard after they promised me that no one in their right mind would volunteer to go to New York, and if that was my preference, I was assured of getting stationed there once I completed my training school.”

After the Coast Guard, Tolliver remained in New York for 10 years, finishing college at the City University of New York and then going to work for a major accounting firm. He later worked for Lehman Brothers as an analyst for the airline industry. He married Gail Lowy, a bridge player who had come to New York from Portland as a child. They decided to move to Portland, arriving in early 1985. They later divorced and she moved to Florida.

Tolliver continued to work in finance and in 2008 became the debt management analyst for the city of Gresham until retiring recently. He’s also been working on writing a novel, a project he plans to give more time to in retirement. His other interests include poetry and Russian literature. And now, high on his list is exploring his new home, one of the most biodiverse places on earth.

There are few English speakers in Colombia. “But I love a good challenge, and I have been working on learning Spanish for a few years now,” Tolliver said. “I’ll come back from time to time to see my bridge friends.”

Election: Rowe is district director

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While the ACBL is on track to turn a substantial profit this year, this follows some high-profile losses in recent years.

“I think questions need to be asked,” Rowe said. “Sometimes they’re hard because you’re stepping on toes. Anybody who knows me knows that I’m on the outspoken side.

“I got a bee in my bonnet and I decided to run.”

Rowe doesn’t plan on charging like a bull into her first meeting in Columbus, though. “My goal is to sit and listen for at least the first two board meetings,” she said. “Your first goal is to learn the job. Then you have the ability to say, ‘What would happen if we tried this?’ And sometimes you hear, ‘We’ve tried that.’”

Vilhauer will complete his term with

the San Francisco meetings, which are likely to be finished by the time this issue reaches clubs. He’ll vote on next year’s ACBL president, make the appointments to the Goodwill Committee and report on the meeting in the spring Trumpet.

The election for district director is somewhat like an electoral college system, where votes by unit board members are weighted by the size of the units. Rowe received about 56% of the vote.

While the district president is limited to two one-year terms, a district director can serve up to four three-year terms. The pending expiration of her presidency was also a factor in her decision to run.

“I enjoy being president a lot more than I thought I would,” she said.

Rowe: Seagram coming to Boise

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convention center in Nampa. **Barbara Seagram** will teach at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday with events scheduled at 1 and 7 on those days. Friday and Saturday sessions will be a 10 and 3:30. If you are one of the many we have heard from who prefer those times, please support this



Barbara Seagram

decision with your attendance.

There also will be a variety of limited-masterpoint events for our newer and intermediate players. The new playing site is wonderful and a very nice Best Western is across the street.

District 20 President Laurie Rowe can be reached at district20pres@gmail.com.

Seaside

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The upstairs rooms were either frigid or swelteringly hot. Maybe they hadn’t quite finished the HVAC system.

The weather was typical of the Oregon coast — a little bit of everything. **Jim Wheeler** is an old pro at the tournament manager thing and everything in his control went off without a hiccup. The hospitality was on-point and everyone seemed to have a great time.

Thanks to all of the local volunteers who work so hard to put on a successful, large regional.

And a special congratulations to Seaside residents **Sue and Robert Kroning** who won the evening side game series.

Regionals

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We aren’t quite sure yet what the parking situation will be with the vacant lot, but likely it will be limited, so if you are commuting please consider carpooling — especially on Friday when we host the popular beer, wine and cheese party after the evening session.

There will be guest speakers, Margi Redden’s I/N party, and many opportunities to play and win lots of points. Start making your plans now. Get a partner or a team together, plan your itinerary and let me know if you have any questions.

For tournament related questions, Amy Casanova can be reached at casanova.amy@gmail.com.

Largest ACBL Regionals

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

	2019		2018		2017		2016
1.	Gatlinburg TN 7,143	Gatlinburg	8,109	Gatlinburg	7,936	Gatlinburg	8,323
2.	Palm Springs CA TBD	Palm Springs	3,849	Palm Springs	3,388	Palm Springs	3,931
3.	Penticton BC 3,218	Penticton	3,543	Penticton	3,234	Hilton Head	3,567
4.	Houston 2,918	Hilton Head SC	3,163	Houston	2,922	Penticton	3,156
5.	Sarasota FL 2,648	Houston	3,044	Seaside	2,893	Seaside	3,099
6.	Charlotte NC 2,632	Sarasota	2,811	Sarasota	2,766	Houston	3,057
7.	Seaside OR 2,541	Seaside	2,659	Monterey	2,749	Sarasota	3,056
8.	Monterey CA 2,449	Monterey	2,566	Atlanta	2,640	Atlanta	3,015
9.	Greenville SC 2,372	Charlotte	2,527	Charlotte	2,555	Monterey	2,860
10.	Atlanta 2,192	Santa Clara	2,264	Greenville	2,405	Orlando	2,760
11.	Santa Clara CA 2,102	N. Charleston SC	2,221	Sacramento	2,324	Raleigh	2,602
12.	Sacramento CA 2,059	Washington DC	2,197	Santa Clara	2,286	Charlotte	2,570
13.	Washington DC 1,972	Baltimore	2,151	Las Vegas	2,189	Santa Clara	2,502
14.	Orlando FL 1,941	Raleigh NC	2,142	Baltimore	2,127	Las Vegas	2,406
15.	Victoria BC 1,932	Sacramento	2,069	Victoria	1,969	Baltimore	2,215



OREGON HIGH DESERT REGIONAL

May 11-17, 2020

Riverhouse on the Deschutes,
Bend, Ore.

SCHEDULE

MONDAY May 11

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

TUESDAY May 12

9 a.m.High Desert Side Game Series (1 of 5)
9 a.m.Morning Stratified Swiss Teams
(second session on Wednesday at 9am)
1 & 7 p.m.Broken Top Bracketed Swiss
1 & 7 p.m.Three Strat Open Pairs
1 & 7 p.m.♦Gold Rush Pairs
1 p.m. ..Deschutes River Side Game Series (2 of 5)
1 p.m.♦299er Stratified Pairs
7 p.m. ..Deschutes River Side Game Series (3 of 5)
7 p.m.♦299er Stratified Pairs

WEDNESDAY May 13

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

- Eligibility for flighted events based on top player's masterpoint total. Thereafter, strats determined by average of pair or team.
- One bracket KO may be handicapped.
- Play 2 times in side game series to qualify for session and overall gold points.

THURSDAY May 14

9 a.m.Mount Jefferson Compact KOs
(winners continue on Friday at 9)
9 a.m.High Desert Side Game Series (3 of 5)
1 & 7 p.m. ..High Desert Museum Bracketed Swiss
1 & 7 p.m.Three Strat Open Pairs
1 & 7 p.m.♦Gold Rush Pairs
1 p.m.Bend Side Game Series (1 of 6)
1 p.m.♦299er Stratified Pairs
7 p.m.Bend Side Game Series (2 of 6)

FRIDAY May 15

9 a.m.High Desert Side Game Series (4 of 5)
1 p.m.Cascade Mountains Bracketed KOs
(winners continue at 7; and at 1 & 7 Saturday)
1 & 7 p.m.Stratified Open Pairs
1 & 7 p.m.♦Gold Rush Pairs
1 p.m.Bend Side Game Series (3 of 6)
1 p.m.♦299er Stratified Pairs
7 p.m.Stratified Swiss Teams
7 p.m.Bend Side Game Series (4 of 6)

SATURDAY May 16

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

SUNDAY MAY 17

10 a.m. & TBAStrati-Flighted A/X/Y Swiss Teams
10 a.m. & TBABracketed Flight B Swiss Teams
10 a.m. & TBAFast Pairs

STRATIFICATIONS

Stratified Open Events

Open/2000/750

Three Strat Open Pairs

Open/3000/1500

♦ **Gold Rush Pairs (Under 750)**

750/300/200

♦ **299er Events (Under 300)**

300/100/50

Strati-Flighted A/X/Y Swiss Teams

Open/4000/2500

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. (20 VP).

♦ Indicates Intermediate/Newcomer (I/N) event.

LOCATION

Riverhouse on the Deschutes

3075 N. Business 97
Bend, OR 97703
866-558-9893

RATES:

Deluxe Queen no view \$139; Deluxe Queen no view with sofa \$139; Deluxe QQ no view \$149; Superior King view and sofa \$159; Superior QQ with view \$169; 1 Bedroom King with view \$189; 1 bedroom QQ with view \$189.

Reservations guaranteed until April 11, 2020, or until "room block" is full.

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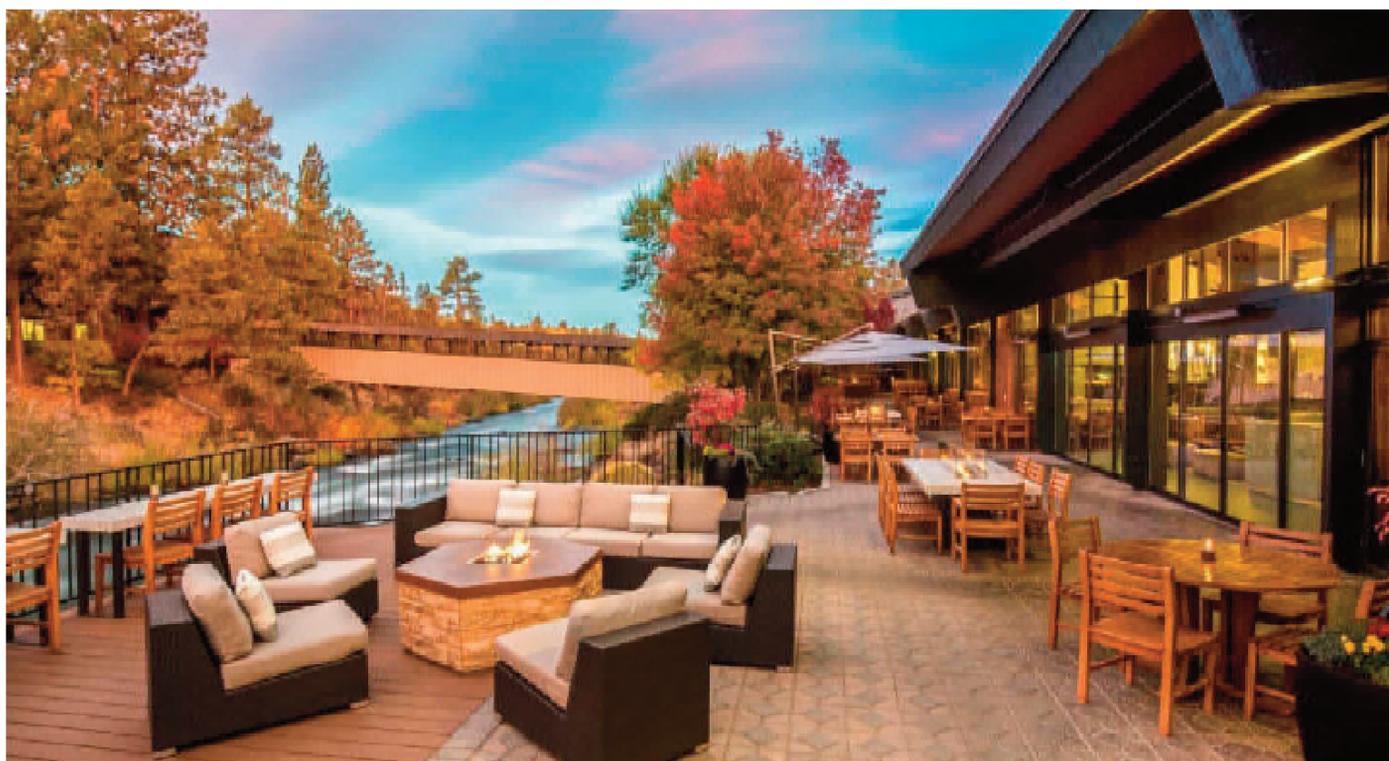
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Dianne Maffia

TABLE FEES

ACBL members, \$13; lapsed members, \$17; under age 26, \$6.

Temporary memberships available at venue.



New venue this year at the Riverhouse on the Deschutes in Bend, Ore.

Laws of the Game

Understanding the new convention charts

The ACBL strives to have specific rules to cover all bidding situations. Those rules are found in a set of Convention Charts on the ACBL website. The charts were most recently updated as of Nov. 20, 2018. These charts are in effect at all ACBL tournaments.

The new charts

There are four charts, intended for use in different level events:



Dennis Kendig
Trumpet Contributor

Basic. Applies to games with an upper limit of 750 masterpoints per player or lower. Example: Gold Rush pairs.

Basic+. Applies to games with an upper limit of up to 3000 masterpoints per player. Example: 0-3000 B/C pairs.

Open. For games with a limit more than 3000

masterpoints, or no limit.

Open+. For games with no limit or a limit above 6000 masterpoints per player.

As you might imagine, the Open/Open+ charts are significantly more permissive than the Basic/Basic+ charts. The ACBL recommends that the Open Chart be used in open games at the club level, with the Basic Charts used for limited games, e.g., 99er or 299er games.

Opening One-of-a-Suit Bids

The new charts significantly liberalize the requirements to open one of a suit.

Previously, the General Convention Chart provided that opening 1♣/♦ had to promise a minimum of 10 HCPs, and that opening 1♥/♠ was disallowed if it showed fewer than 8 HCP. Those seemingly inconsistent requirements have now been superseded by a new test for opening bids: Either a specified number of HCP, or a Rule of "N" type test (where "N" is the number obtained by adding the HCP plus the number of cards in the two longest suits).

The new requirement is that any natural opening bid must show:

(a) In Basic Chart games, "Average Strength," i.e., at least 10 HCP or meeting the Rule of 19; and

(b) In Open Chart games, "Near Average Strength," i.e., at least 8 HCP or meeting the Rule of 17.

Opening 1NT bids

All four charts are the same here. A natural 1NT opener must show a balanced hand: no void, a singleton must be the A, K or Q, and the two longest suits may not include more than nine cards. 5-4-2-2 is OK, 5-5-2-1 is not. Strength for a natural 1NT opener must be defined as a range of no more than 5 HCP, with the low end being 10 or more. 10-14 is OK, 14-18 is OK, 15-17 is OK, but 10-15 is not. 9-13 is not. 10-12 nonvul with 15-17 vul is OK.

Opening 2NT and 3NT bids

The shape requirement is the same as for 1NT when these bids are natural; there is no defined strength requirement.

Opening 2♣ bids

(strong, artificial, forcing)

On the Basic and Basic+ charts this must show a "very strong" hand, defined as:

- ♦ at least 20 HCP; or
- ♦ at least 14 HCP and is within one trick of game assuming suits break evenly among the other hands.
- ♦ at least 5 control points (an Ace=2, a King=1) and is within one trick of game assuming suits break evenly.

The Open and Open+ charts remove the strength requirement entirely.

Preemptive Openings

In general, much more flexibility is now allowed, especially on the Open and Open+ charts, including many preempts showing two suits. In general, these are allowed when the suit bid is one of the suits shown; otherwise not allowed except in Open+ team events.

Weak Two Bids: On the Basic chart, a weak two must show five or more cards, at least 4 HCP, and a HCP range no more than 7. On the Basic+ chart, it must show five or more cards, at least 3 HCP and a HCP range no more than 8. On the Open chart, in first or second seat, it must show a HCP range no more than 9. On the Open+ chart, anything goes.

Three and Four Level Preempts: On the Basic chart, a three- or four-level preempt must promise at least six in the suit bid. On the higher level charts, anything goes.

Preempts of 4NT and Higher: Allowed on all charts.

Gambling 3NT: Allowed on all charts.

Namyats (4♣=♥; 4♦=♠): Allowed on all charts.

Precision and Big Club Systems

In the Basic and Basic+ charts, the 1♣ opener must show a "strong" hand:

- ♦ at least 15 HCP; or
- ♦ at least 14 HCP and meets the "Rule of 24."
- ♦ at least 5 control points and is within one trick of game assuming suits break evenly among the other hands.

The Open and Open+ charts relax this requirement to only 10 HCP/Rule of 19.

1♦ Opener (may be short, not forcing)

For the Basic chart, it's 10 HCP/Rule of 19 and 3+ diamonds or notrump shape, just as in Standard American. There's no provision for a 1♦ bid that "could be as short as 0/1". Thus 3-4-1-5 hands will be stuck for an opening bid. The Basic+ is the same but relaxes the HCP to 8/Rule of 17. In the Open and Open+ Charts, the shape requirement is dropped, but the strength for a 1♦ opener is 8 HCP/Rule of 17 if Natural or Quasi Natural (2+♦) or 10

HCP/Rule of 19 if Artificial (could be as short as 1 or 0).

2♣ Opener (clubs, not forcing)

In Basic and Basic+, must show 10 HCP/Rule of 19 and four or more clubs. Not defined specifically in Open/Open+, but no doubt allowed.

Upgrades/deviations

Many players are accustomed to shading their bids. Maybe we agreed on 10-12 notrumps, but we pick up an A, K and Q, along with a few 10s and 9s. That feels like 10! So, we open 1NT. The new charts say: "If an Agreement would be disallowed unless it satisfies a specific High Card Point or shape requirement, a player may not use judgment to include hands with fewer High Card Points or a different shape."

This applies to all charts. You can't open 1NT with 9 HCP, no matter what. If you use the full 5 HCP notrump range, say 11-15, you can't upgrade a 10 HCP hand nor downgrade a 16 HCP hand. Also, you can't open 1NT with a singleton jack (except in Open+ team games). You can't make other openings with less than the minimum HCP/Rule of N shown in the applicable chart. So, the charts are not simply restricting the agreements, they are also in some cases restricting bids that depart from the partnership agreement.

Part of a general liberalization trend

Clearly, the ACBL is gradually liberalizing bidding rules to reflect, they say, what they "see at the table" in tournaments. Consider these changes:

♦ Aug. 1, 2016. Allowed 1NT openers with a singleton, provided it's the ace, king or queen.

♦ Jan. 1, 2018. No more "Stop" cards. Fewer people were using them and the ACBL thought their use might transmit unauthorized information, so they banned them.

♦ Nov. 20, 2018. Now, we have new charts with more generous criteria for opening bids (Basic: 10 HCP/Rule of 19; Open: 8 HCP/Rule of 17).

What should your club do?

Clubs will be on firm ground if they adopt the Open chart for their Open games, and the Basic (or Basic+) chart for their 99er and 299er games. Adopting the ACBL charts lets everyone know in advance what will and will not be permitted in their games. It's also helpful to club members who play in tournaments to become familiar with the new criteria for opening bids, for example, as they might otherwise be surprised and/or at a disadvantage when playing against competitors who are more accustomed to life under the new rules.

Dennis Kendig is a player, director and retired attorney living in Ashland.

Teachers' Corner

How team games work

Be a team player. Being a team player is fun.

Bridge is partnership game. Players develop their favorite partnerships as they learn conventions and trust partners' responses. This partnership is the first part of becoming a team. In a pairs game, each partnership competes against the other partnerships in the event. In a team game, four players compete against another team of four. Your team only takes on one team at a time and the team that scores the most is the winner of the match.

A team can consist of four, five or six players, but only four team members play at the same time. Two members of your team, playing as a partnership, sit North-South at one

table. Two other members of your team sit East-West at a different table. The two pairs from the opposing team fill the empty spots at the same two tables. During the course of a match, the same boards are played at both tables.



Nancy Jonske
D20 Education Liaison

Scoring is done by comparing the results with different schemes used.

The method of scoring on each board is the same as in pairs events. At the end of play, the team reunites at the N/S table to review results and calculate International Match Points (IMPs). IMPs are just a derivative method of simplifying the score. It is exciting to compare how your team members play the boards. The overriding idea is to have your team collect more IMPs than your opponents. A team scores IMPs when their combined scores are positive. There is a chart on the Team Private Score sheet that converts the combined board score to an IMP score.

Teaching using a team format is an effective tool for players to learn the nuances of bidding and play of the hand. Many tournament events bracket teams of similar ability. Join the fun, gather some favorite players, share the adventure, and be a team player.

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Vancouver Bridge Club

Unit 452

Non-Life Master Sectional

Jan. 11-12, 2020

- 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
- Lapsed ACBL members pay \$4 more per session
- Sunday lunch: \$5 includes sandwich and salad

Tournament Chair: Elizabeth Fullerton, liz4bridge@gmail.com

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Garden Isle Sectional

Jan. 17-19, 2020

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. 17

1 p.m. ... Kilauea Lighthouse Stratified Open Pairs, \$24/pair

Saturday, Jan. 18

9 a.m. ... Wailua Falls Stratified Open Pairs, \$24/pair
1 p.m. ... Poipu Beach Stratified Open Pairs, \$24/pair

Sunday, Jan. 19

9 a.m. ... Waimea Canyon Stratified Swiss Teams
1 p.m. ... (Two sessions, 20 Victory Point Scale; \$96/team, includes both sessions)

Complimentary gourmet lunch provided between morning and afternoon sessions

- Stratified Open Pairs/Stratified Swiss Teams
- A: 1000+; B: 300-1000; C: 0-300

Add \$4 per player per session for lapsed ACBL members

AROUND THE UNITS



Nampa/ Caldwell



By Marilyn Tripple

Caldwell mourns Sonya Shue

My neighbor, dear friend and bridge partner, **Sonya Shue**, passed away on June 28. She had been a member of the Nampa/Caldwell club for many years. She had a wonderful sense of humor and was always attired in the clothing and jewelry which proclaimed the current holiday — shamrocks and leprechauns on St. Patrick's Day, pumpkins and ghosts for Halloween, Santa Claus and reindeer for Christmas, with accessories such as flashing light necklaces. She also wore vintage ACBL jewelry which had belonged to her mother. She faithfully produced miniature greeting cards, displaying her personal artwork, which she gave to everyone at the bridge table on each holiday.



Sonya Shue

Sonya was a talented musician and played the organ at Holy Nativity Episcopal Church for 34 years. She also loved singing and was proud to be able to sing tenor in any group she was part of.

Born and educated in Connecticut, Sonya was the biggest fan of the UConn women's basketball team, her alma mater.

Sonya outlived three husbands, and raised two children, Len and Cori. Sonya also worked as the cook at St. Paul's Catholic Church school so her children could receive a private-school education. She tutored many students privately, and retired from Zilog, a local manufacturer of microcontrollers.

Sonya suffered from COPD, had survived cancer herself three different times, and recently recovered from hip surgery, returning to her home after fewer than two weeks in rehab. She will be missed here at the Nampa/Caldwell club by her partners and her friends.



Ontario



By Billie Willis

Ontario makes plans for classes

Fall is in the air and we have had several below-freezing nights. The farmers are scurrying to complete the onion harvest. Neither has affected the enthusiasm of our bridge players.

Several of our members enjoyed the Boise sectional in September and many of us planned to play in the Caldwell sectional in November.

The unit board is continuing to work on a new member class for novices and hopes to have it up and running soon. We continue to offer twice monthly workshops for our newer players.

Plans are underway for our Christmas party, which always provides a pleasant time and good bridge for all.

Boise players include bridge in foreign travels

Unit 394 has two new Life Masters this quarter. **Shirley Gilbreath** earned her new rank at the Pocatello tournament during a team game. Teammates **Marian Hendrix**, **Carol Holmes** and **Phil Emerson** helped put her over the finish line. At the Seaside tournament, **Marian Hendrix** became the unit's latest Life Master with teammates **Shirley Gilbreath**, and **Sue and Bruce Hanni**. Congratulations!

Boise players travel frequently to tournaments. Twenty players from Boise supported the Seaside tournament this year. We are also a group of international players. This year,

Kathy Downen and **Daryl Sallaz** played while on vacation in Scotland, taking first place.

Nancy Feldman played in Vienna, **Karen Boss** played in Munich and **Rebecca Rodenbush** played in the Transylvania region of Romania.



Daryl Sallaz and Kathy Downen in Scotland



Boise



By Nancy Feldman

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When you travel internationally, look online for bridge clubs and reach out to them. Sometimes you can fit in a game with your travel schedule. It's fun and a local activity in the towns you visit. Each club has its own vibe and style of play.

Karen told the story of how, in Munich, you have to announce the minimum number of cards you may have in a minor suit when you open 1♣ or 1♦.

When Nancy played in Argentina a few years ago, club etiquette was for the lead to be placed face down. Then the dummy is exposed and the lead is flipped face up. This makes it



Karen Boss in Munich



Pat Coontz, Paul Penland, Karen Boss, Nancy Feldman and Pete Grice during the district's North American Pairs in October.

almost impossible to ever lead out of turn.

When Rebecca played in Romania, all players were male and executives. These regional variations expand your own play, and you meet some good people from around the world.

Two pairs in flight A and two pairs in flight B played in the North American Pairs this fall. No one placed, but we had a fun day of playing bridge. Thanks to **Pete Grice** who was the proctor for both days.



The Tri-City Bridge Club's new venue is the Chetco Activity Center.

Growth brings change to club

The Tri-City Bridge Club was formed about 25 years ago after three smaller clubs from Gold Beach, Crescent City and Brookings joined to provide a larger, more competitive game.

This October we offered our sixth series of free bridge lessons. The lessons are from the Learn Bridge in a Day program, but we ran the classes once a week over a month. The lessons have proved very successful.

Our table count through the end of July is more than all of 2018. Our average table count has risen to five or six tables a game. The addition of two newcomers' games a month, for those with less than



Brookings Tri-City Bridge Club



By Debbie Grasham

50 masterpoints, are very popular. We recently had four full tables of newcomers.

This year has been very prosperous for our club. We moved to a new facility, the Chetco Activity Center, sponsored an entry in the annual Azalea Parade, and purchased a Bridgemate system for our games. No more undecipherable scores!

Gold Country Sectional is up



Nevada County



By Bev Britton

Unit 461 enjoyed another successful Gold Country Sectional at the scenic St. Canice Center in Nevada City, Calif., in October. Table count was up 10 tables over last year to 113.

"People love the venue. You're out in the forest, and it's just peaceful," said **Jamie Newman**, tournament coordinator. "And the warmth and friendliness of our players are a big deal."

Players shared home-baked breakfast breads and muffins, deviled eggs, curried chicken salad sandwiches and more. Food



Players traveled from around the region.

chair **Joyce Hopkinson** kept fresh platters coming out all day long.

"People were telling us how nice the facility was and how wonderful the food was," said **Jim Hook**, who was tournament co-chair along with **Barbara Langdon**.

Unit 461 holds games weekly at the Golden Empire Grange and Eskaton Village in Grass Valley, Lake Wildwood and Lake of the Pines.



Chico



By Mark Bloom

Club eyes class for recruits

Tireless recruiter **Sherri Faroky** has started her second duplicate bridge instruction at the Chico State OLLI class, where seniors can take a six-week course of their choosing.

The class is designed for people who have played bridge before, so the students are a mix of rubber bridge players and students from the previous OLLI class who wanted to retake it. The hope is that these folks will feel comfortable enough after the class to move into the club game in some fashion. Kudos to Sherri and her volunteer staff for taking the time to help bring new players into the bridge world.



Sherri Faroky

Masterpoint races update

With three quarters of the year in the books, the Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney races are taking shape. In the higher categories (500 masterpoints and above) the usual suspects are leading, but in the categories for newer players we have a number of good, close races.

Ace of Clubs — (0-5) **Dave** and **Nancy Calkins** are leading, followed closely by **Mark Lance** and **Judy Pfandler**; (5-20) **Jeanne Lawrence** is lapping the field; (20-50) a really tight race between **Gary Stromberg** and **Jerry Smith**; (200-300) this is an interesting one, with a tight three-way race between **Billie Quandt**, **Maria Martin** and **Dennis Deromedi**.

There is one interesting race in the higher categories. In the 7500+ stratosphere, **Garth Gregory** has some actual competition for the first time, with new arrival **Michael Oechsler** leading him by 1 point. Place your bets now; your club manager is happy to quote odds and hold your money.

Results

Senior Game, Oct. 4 — 1A/1B: Sherri Faroky — Jack Woodard; 2A/2B: Jo Anne Murdock — Alan Ludwig; 3A: Garth Gregory — Doug Jacobs; 3B: Jan Keller — Chuck Hodel.

AROUND THE UNITS

Unit may have to look for new home

With a lease of the unit's bridge center expiring in November of 2020, and the current lease-holders uninterested in renewing, players in Unit 484 will be faced with some difficult decisions in the coming months.

Options include finding someone else willing to lease the current space or finding a new home for Unit 484 duplicate bridge. Embedded in the decision is whether to continue bridge five days a week.

In late October, public meetings were held after every regularly scheduled game, seeking feedback and ideas from players.

The Dan Voorhies Bridge Center is housed in a small shopping center at 4149 S. Pacific Highway in Phoenix, just south of Medford.

Ten years ago, bridge was being played in three locations in the Rogue Valley — a square dancing pavilion near Central Point, a Masonic lodge in East Medford, and an office building in Ashland.

In the fall of 2010, **Mark** and **Leah McKechnie** leased the present location. It's dedicated to duplicate bridge club games. It also hosts quarterly Saturday unit games and sectionals. Members are delighted to have a dedicated center for bridge, one that doesn't require setting up and taking down tables at every session.

The McKechnies' clubs operate on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday. **Bob Fox** operates games on Monday and Thursday. The number of tables has declined in recent years, especially for the clubs operated by the McKechnies, which led to their decision not to renew.

If the current center's lease is renewed, a



Jackson County
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By Jim Flint

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decision may have to be made by July. The board is exploring a variety of remedies.

Seaside winners

Four players from Unit 484 participated in the Seaside regional in October, each bringing home masterpoints. **Jim Flint** won 19.25; **Molly Tinsley**, 5.37; **Gee Gee Walker**, 5.37; and **Edwin Miller**, 2.57.

Unit holiday party

Unit 484 will celebrate the holidays with a unit game Saturday, Dec. 7, at the Dan Voorhies Bridge Center in Phoenix.

Bridge players from nearby units are invited to join the fun and play for extra points. **Jerry Kenefick** will direct.

A free festive lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m., followed by the game at approximately noon.

There will be a vintage bridge-themed surprise offered as a door prize. The winning pairs in each stratification will be eligible to win. The prize will be awarded by a drawing among the winners.

Old website is now down

Members can keep track of scores, check competitions, get game results, and read club news on the unit's new website: bridgewebs.com/unit484medford/.

The old website, unit484.org, is no longer functioning.

Tinsley leads points race

Molly Tinsley led the Unit 484 masterpoints race at the three-quarter mark of 2019 with 152.40.

Others in the top tier include **Bob Scott**, 142.07; **Gee Gee Walker**, 139.01; **Jim Flint**, 138.32; and **David Bryant**, 81.22.

In points won only at club games, the leaders as of Sept. 6 were **Scott**, 68.79; **Flint**, 63.88; **McKee**, 48.40; and **John Cowles**, 42.16.

Fewer tables but still a profit

The unit had a profitable sectional tournament in September even though tables were down at 83, compared to 97 for the spring sectional and 96 for fall 2018.

Local winners garnering the most masterpoints were **Bob Scott**, 14.35; **Ed Goldman**, 12.92; **Dennis Kendig**, 12.28; and **Gee Gee Walker**, 12.16.

The duo of **Bobby Thompson** and **Randall Paul**, the interlopers from Klamath Falls, took home the most plunder with 25.22 masterpoints apiece, topping the winners' list as they did in the spring.

See sectional reports on page 4 for complete results.

Special games, events for 2020

For those of you still marking calendars, here are 2020 dates for unit games and sectionals in Southern Oregon.

There will be two sectionals — one March 27-29 and another Sept. 18-20.

Unit championship games, also open to players outside the unit, are set for Feb. 15, May 2, Aug. 1, and Dec. 6. These Saturday games start at noon, with a lunch preceding at 11:30.



Klamath Falls
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By Bobby Thompson

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K Falls pair on a sectional streak

As the year 2020 looms, we can review both the negative and the positive.

We had six of our members move, three to the California desert area, two to the New England states and one to Cottage Grove. Six members are no longer healthy enough to play duplicate with us and another passed away.

The good news: five snowbirds will return between April and June to partake in the local bridge action. This winter we will have 18 players. That will give us 4 1/2 tables on the best day and at least 12 minimum to participate.

Randall Paul and **Bobby Thompson** scored very well in the Bend and Rogue Valley tournaments. Friendly people, good food and beverages made both tournaments a tremendous success.

Locally, third quarter point parade honors went to **Carol McClure**

with Thompson and **Ed McClure** rounding out the top three. The NLM group was led by **Reid Sherwin**, **Dale Taylor** and **Patti Collom**. Speaking of Dr. Ed, he has taken a commanding lead in the fourth quarter point parade by winning eight of the 10 games he has played. Good partners really can help, according to McClure.

Unit game winners include: July, Paul and Thompson; August, Thompson and **Keith Thorp**; September, Dr. McClure and **Doug Higgs**; October, Paul and Higgs.

Big games for the quarter included: E. McClure - Higgs 70.5%, Sherwin - Paul and Laila Griffith - Thompson 70.2%.

From Unit 482 to all of you and yours, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. If you get the chance, especially if you've never been, go to the Hawaii Regional (Jan. 20-26). It is a blast and nothing compares.



Randall Paul and Bobby Thompson

Results

Club Championship, Aug. 15 — 1A: Laila Griffith - Carol McClure; 2A: Ed McClure - Bobby Thompson; 3A/1B: Reid Sherwin - Dale Taylor; 2B: Jo Ann Siebecke - Bud Wakefield.

Unit Open Pairs Championship, Sept. 29 — 1A: Ed McClure - Doug Higgs; 2A: Laila Griffith - Carol McClure; 3A/1B: Keith Thorp - Judy Shelton; 2B: Reid Sherwin - Duane Weiss.

Club Appreciation Game, Oct. 1 — 1A: Ed McClure - Bobby Thompson; 2A: Carol McClure - Laila Griffith; 3A/1B/1C: Tom & Petra Gellner; 2C: Jo Ann Koenig - Ethel Rust.

Unit Game, Oct. 13 — 1A: Randall Paul - Doug Higgs; 2A/1B: Rosella Wilde - Reid Sherwin; 2B: Jo Ann Koenig - Ethel Rust.

Changes coming to weekly club schedules

Unit 476 held its sectional tournament in August with about the same number of tables as two years ago. We had an alternate venue since the Senior Center is undergoing major renovations and expansion. It all worked beautifully, and the weather was perfect.

A very important takeaway was the participation of the newer players. We were able to offer both open and 199er events. Increasing play at our clubs has been a focus all year, so it was rewarding to receive positive comments from everyone, especially from those who made this event their first tournament. Many plan to return and bring other players with them.

Connie Baker was our tournament chair, and she did an exceptional job. Her prior experience in setting up large events was definitely an asset. We all know what an incredible amount of work is involved, but she made it seem effortless. And, as promised, **Dianne Maffia** did her usual fantastic job with the baskets provided for a raffle.

We would like to give recognition to our tournament director from Eugene,



Bend/Redmond
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By Susan Hoffinger

www.bendbridge.org

Michael Weber. He was kind and patient in his rulings, which was appreciated by first-time tournament players.

Big winners overall for Friday and Saturday were **Randall Paul** and **Bobby Thompson** from Klamath Falls. Additionally, on Sunday they topped the Swiss teams event with teammates **Laurie Rowe** and **Jeffrey Taylor** from Eugene. We were pleased to have **Merlin Vilhauer** and **Laurie Rowe**, candidates for election to the board from District 20, in attendance. Players appreciated the opportunity to chat with them.

A scoring highlight on Saturday was a 71.5% game by our own **Frank Murphy** and **Don Crozier**.

New games starting in November

It has been announced that **Greg**

Schweizer would take over the Redmond game, beginning in November. The venue will be called the Central Oregon Hub Club. **Pat Douglas** will offer an evening game at the Senior Center at 6 p.m. on Thursdays. That game will start in November and her game will be known as the High Desert Bridge Club. **Judy Davidson** planned to hold Saturday games beginning in November at the Ace of Hearts Club.

The annual picnic was held at the home of **Chip** and **Berta Cleveland** in September. Chip again did an outstanding job of grilling chicken and steak. Guests all contributed side dishes, salads and desserts.

Big game: **Candy** and **Curt Baunsgard** scored 72.9% on Oct. 11 at the Gentle Bridge Club.



Greg Schweizer



Pat Douglas

Eureka's reinvented sectional is up 59%

Our good news is the successful completion of our sectional competition the second week in September. Board members brainstormed how to make it the best sectional ever, and came up with a wonderful locale. Spacious, well-lit and attractive, with ample handicapped parking and facilities, The Humboldt Area Foundation served us well. The exceptionally comfortable chairs were appreciated.

We had separate areas for food. Endless shrimp, barbecued albacore, chicken



Eureka
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By Frederica Aalto

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flautas, sushi, a plethora of salads, snacks and desserts are only a few of the offerings. Club members did their all, supplying wonderful homemade dishes and pitching in on set up and clean up.

Also, the offer of free housing was accepted by several who came from out of town. All of this hospitality created a jolly atmosphere for participants from far and near. We had 14 tables for the team game on Sunday, and many of these stayed for the catered finale dinner party at the Oliver's seaside home. It was a festive end to the weekend.

If the above sounds too good to be true, earmark your calendar for the second week in September. Come next year and find out!



Linda Oliver and Frederica Aalto at the Eureka sectional's closing dinner party.

AROUND THE UNITS



**Seaside/
Astoria/Ilwaco**
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By David Wigutoff
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Portland unit holds recruiting event at mall; plans for more



**Vancouver/
Longview**
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By Ginny Griffiths
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Seaside loses 3

Total attendance at the Seaside regional was 2541 tables. Masterpoints were won by 1159 players. We are delighted that many professionals attended, and we hope their time in Seaside brings them back for many years to come.

Many of our unit's members competed in the tournament. The most points for our unit were won by our "played bridge in every state" pair, **Monica Taylor** and **Law Richardson**, winning 25.30 points. Our unit manager, **Sue Kroning**, and her recently turned 90 husband, **Robert**, won the best of two sessions evening side pairs for the week.

Note that the Seaside sectional is only a few months away, set for April 17-19.

Three of our unit's longtime players were not able to attend the tournament this year, having passed away. **Irene Harrowitz** had been a fixture at the tournament for many years, serving as the hospitality coordinator. She had the knack for getting gift certificate prizes from dozens of local businesses. She received the honor of being named to the ACBL national Goodwill Committee. **Jan Kulczyk** was our Italian mother, winemaker. For years she and her husband, Fred, traveled to tournaments. **Sharon Cummings** also died. She was a private person who was very social at our club games.



Irene Harrowitz



Jan Kulczyk



Sharon Cummings

Each of them played in our club games, even when ill and in pain. They died not with their boots on, but with their cards in their hands.

Our unit welcomes new ACBL members **Mike Donnelly**, **Jeanyse Snow**, **Greg Bell**, **Bill Brooks**, **Debby Livingston** and **Wendy Reed**. Welcome back to **Dan Moore** and congratulations on passing the director test. Welcome to transferees **Gary Floyd** and sister-in-law **Cathy Floyd**. And we're sorry to say goodbye to **Donna** and **Robert Searle** and **Manny Suarez**.

Under the leadership of board president **Kristin Steinmetz**, Unit 487 held a bridge promotion at Lloyd Center in Portland in September. The event was held in conjunction with the Rose Show with the goal of promoting bridge in general and providing information and coupons to support Portland bridge clubs (Ace of Clubs and Portland Bridge Club).

The event, which utilized unit members as bridge ambassadors, included a table in the mall where information about classes and game times was distributed, along with coupons for free play at one of the Portland clubs. A vacant storefront donated by Lloyd Center management was set up with tables and chairs where the ambassadors taught mini-bridge (bridge without bidding) and offered open play to those familiar with the game.

"We had a great event," Steinmetz said. "We had a lot of interest and people who were willing to join in and learn or play on the spot."

She thanked all who participated, with special kudos to **Heather Dolan**, who organized the coffee and snacks.

It is hoped that a similar event can be held on Portland's west side in the near future. In the meantime, Steinmetz and the board are working on additional marketing efforts, including promoting Swiss team events for newer players.

New sectional venues secured

Montgomery Park, where we have held our sectionals the last few years, was sold earlier this year. We have been told that the new owners have decided to repur-



Portland
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By Dee Poujade
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pose the building and will no longer offer the space for events.

Finding affordable tournament space is becoming increasingly difficult in Portland. Before, we looked at hotels, schools, and other event spaces with limited success.

We have secured two great locations for next year and can again offer three-day sectionals. In addition, we can compare both venues and decide which better fits our needs going forward. We will also consider other options if they arise.

The January sectional will be at the Kliever Armory in northeast Portland and the spring and fall sectionals will be at the Milwaukie Elks Club.

Both venues have had notable upgrades since we last used them. Also, both are reasonably close within the Portland metro area. Both have generous parking space. The Elks Club also has convenient access to public transportation.

We are confident that we have chosen locations that will be able to provide all of our needs and are economical enough to offer some extras. We look forward to hosting these events and getting your feedback.

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask any of the board members or write me at acblunit487@gmail.com and I will direct to the appropriate person.

Unit spotlight: Barbie Pyles

Barbie Pyles took over hosting our Eight is Enough game when it was down to three tables. It's held once a month on a Sunday at 1 p.m.

To date, she has had a high of 13 tables and is continuing to have a good turnout. This hasn't happened without a lot of hard work promoting the game. We need more Barbies.

Barbie was born in Flint, Mich., and worked in customer service most of her life. After vacationing in Portland in 1987, she moved there but now lives in a condo in downtown Vancouver.



Barbie Pyles

Barbie's main hobby when she was younger was riding a Honda 500 and going to flat track motorcycle races in Texas, Iowa, Indiana, Pennsylvania and Florida. She also enjoys dabbling in watercolors.

Barbie started playing bridge in 2008 three weeks after retiring from Columbia Sportswear. Eastside Bridge Club was where she began taking lessons. She served on the Portland board and is currently serving on the Vancouver board. She was in charge of the partnership desk for our tournaments until recently when **Joy Fletcher** took over. The board needed a purchaser and Barbie took over the responsibility for that with the help of **Vicki Stelzer** and **Michael Walker**.

Other news

Congratulations to **Diane Deibele** and **Elton Richard** who are getting married in February. They met at the bridge club. She has played all her life and he is learning.

Also, congratulations to the following Vancouver players who did so well at the Seaside regional: **Dennis Metcalf**, **Cliff Allen III**, **Gerald Brown**, **Pauline Bullert**, **Deborah Lackey**, **Thomas Anderson**, **Harry Satanove**, **Barbara Liljeqvist**, **Claudia Kaiser**, **David Muller**, **Tim Rilling** and **Rich Carle** of Longview.

Redding pair wins ICC game

In our Instant Matchpoint Game, scoring the gold were **Michael Hollins**, **Jan Williams**, **George Hubbard** and **Norm Hagey**.

More congratulations go to **Jerry Clark** and **Marvin Grudem**. They scored 69% nationwide in an Inter-Club Championship. That garnered them an additional 16 points.

Sadly, **Mickey Thomas** and **Nanch Detwiler** passed away. They will be well



Jerry Clark and Marvin Grudem



Redding
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By Joan Sullens
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remembered.

As the year ends, we can be thankful that we have Bridge Werks and our Redding Clubs doing well. We can certainly use some new players, however. We're urging all players to introduce their friends to the fun of duplicate bridge.

Big games: **P.J. Gans** with both **July Ratley** and **Jeanne Carpenter**, and **Jerry Clark** and **Mickey Thomas**.



Maui Snowbird Sectional

Feb. 7-9, 2020

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<p>Feb. 7 Stratified Open Pairs, single session ... 9:30 a.m., 2 p.m.</p> <p>Feb. 8 Stratified Open Pairs, single session ... 9:30 a.m., 2 p.m.</p> <p>Feb. 9 Stratified Swiss Teams (two sessions) 9 a.m., TBA.</p>	<p>Stratifications</p> <p>Open Pairs A: 1500+ B: 500-1500 C: 0-500</p> <p>Swiss Teams A: 1500+ B: 750-1500 C: 0-750</p>	<p>Tournament Chair Jack Patnode: 808-205-4783, jacknode@fastmail.fm</p> <p>Partnership Chair Bob Fontana: 808-280-8132, culliebarry@gmail.com</p>
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Fees: \$10 per session, single events (\$14 for lapsed ACBL members). Temporary memberships available. Swiss Teams: \$104 per team, \$110 for 5-man team (this fee includes lunch between sessions).

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February 15-17

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<p>Schedule</p> <p>Saturday, Feb. 15 AX open pairs: 9 a.m. BCD pairs: 9 p.m. Stratified open pairs: 1 p.m. Stratified 299er pairs: 1 p.m.</p> <p>Sunday, Feb. 16 AX Swiss Teams: 9 a.m., 1 p.m. Side Swiss Teams 0-499 MP: 9 a.m., 1 p.m. (20 VP scale & stratified by average)</p> <p>Monday, Feb. 17 AX pairs: 9 a.m. BCD pairs: 9 a.m. Stratified open pairs: 1 a.m. Stratified 299er pairs: 1 p.m.</p>	<p>Entry fees</p> <p>Open pairs, 299er pairs events: \$10 per player; lapsed ACBL members, \$14. Temporary memberships available.</p> <p>Swiss Teams: This two-session event is \$100 per team of 4, plus \$10 for each additional player.</p> <p>Side Swiss Teams: Each session, \$50 per team.</p> <p>*Free play for a player in a 299er event with less than 5 masterpoints and is a paid ACBL member.</p>
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AROUND THE UNITS

Quilter keeps Corvallis club walls covered



**Albany/
Corvallis**

By Kathi Downing

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Anyone who has ever played at the Heart of the Valley Bridge Center knows how the noise level can rapidly rise in the cavernous room where we play — and we are a very social club. To help alleviate the problem, longtime member **Richard Garvin** asked permission to hang some of his wife's quilts to reduce the noise. **Debbie** selected some of her quilts and the two of them hung them on the walls and beams of the playing area in early 2018.

"I noticed negligible noise suppression," Rick said, "but the response from the players was positive." It was more than positive. The other members were delighted to have a soothing quilt display of such amazing creativity and skill hanging before their eyes, especially after a rough hand.

Debbie first started quilting in 1977 when her first child was born.

"I was a teacher and took maternity leave," she said. "I was bored to death and saw a quilt-as-you-go pattern that I could make for our bed. I had never taken classes and I knew nothing about quilting. My mother furnished me with scraps from dresses and bedroom curtains. I used a



Debbie Garvin displays one of her quilts.

cardboard template of a hexagon. The pieces were not uniform and Rick told me I would not ever get it together." Well, she did — 13 years later.

Rick and Debbie met when he was in boot camp. Her college friend told her about her boyfriend's "lonely friend." She corresponded with Rick, but they didn't meet each other until his basic training.

Rick had learned bridge in college and after the two of them got together, they played party bridge for many years. In 1990, soon after they moved to Corvallis for Rick's job, he was recruited to duplicate bridge by a friend. Coincidentally, in



Rick Garvin

that same year Debbie finally finished that quilt she started in 1977.

When Rick joined the ACBL, he played mainly in Albany. Since then, he has served on the Albany, Corvallis and Unit 477 boards. He retired in 2010 and began to play more. Recently, after a couple of very successful two-hour bridge seminars he presented, **Ann Larson** asked Rick to teach some intermediate bridge classes.

Debbie, on the other hand, has had a hard time retiring from the preschool teaching she loves. And of course, there is also quilting.

Despite the aggravation that bridge occasionally creates, Rick has found a way to keep going. "I try to capture snippets of enjoyable events and write them in a folder called Rick's Happy Basket," he said. "I read them when I get discouraged and want to quit this game!"

He also keeps the rest of us amused with his various alter-egos, such as Dan Saul Knight, Larson E. Whipsnade, Amanda B. Reckondwyth, Rita Menweep, Joe King, Lou Segusi, and Natalie Attired.

We are all extremely grateful to have in our midst such a dedicated bridge player married to such a consummate quilter.

And on another positive note, the Corvallis Bridge Club sponsored a productive two-day retreat in September where 55 members spend nine hours investigating ways to improve our club.



**Eugene/
Springfield**



By Don Marsh

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Good tidings

It feels like a "shout-out" column is in order. Shout-outs go to:

♦ **Sir John Lean** for his work penning this column for longer than he probably cared to. Thanks, Sir John. Great to have the view from across the pond.

♦ **Laurie Rowe** per her recent election as district director beginning Jan. 1. Laurie is currently serving in the role of president of the D20 board and will be wearing two hats for a couple of months. We think it will be a good look. We should note that there has been an event of much greater significance in Laurie's life of late. We can all now call her grandma. Congratulations on all fronts.

♦ **Dr. Ellen McCumsey** got a shout-out in the last edition but another one certainly won't hurt. Ellen has revived the Wednesday evening game back to viability. She has gotten lots of support in the effort from **Denise Cox**, **Sherri Morgan**, **Chris Poulos** and others.

♦ **Judy Nevell** and Ellen (again) for their lessons on Friday mornings. Nevell contributed many years of service as tournament coordinator and provided many upgrades in several areas. Most significant perhaps was her work in creating notebooks for all events so that there are now handy and up-to-date reference manuals available for all unit activities.

♦ **Denise Cox**, **Bing Kibbey** and **Betsy Ovitt** for their work in creating the new operations manual for the board. This started out as an orientation manual of sorts for new board members and morphed into something much more. Counselor **John Wolf** made a substantial contribution in his editing of the document. Great work, all.

♦ **David Partridge**, **Sherri Morgan**, **John Wolf**, and **Dr. McCumsey** for becoming certified directors.

♦ **Ali Nice** and **Martin Nice** for taking on the tournament coordinator position. What we all agree to about these two is that they certainly have a most appropriate last name.

♦ **Paul Hochfeld**, for his work over the past year in Corvallis. It was Paul's dogged insistence that there be an internal investigation that led to what has become known as the Blasgow Report which created a public record of recent events at the Corvallis Duplicate Bridge Club.

♦ **Unit 479 Board**: There was a time in the history of our Unit when it was nearly impossible to find barely warm bodies to serve on the board. We now have committed, engaged and dedicated individuals whose sole interest is doing everything thing they can to promote and support bridge in our community.

♦ **All of us**: We are all fortunate to be part of such a positive and supportive bridge community. We should never take it for granted.

Unit, club plan annual parties, elections

The arrival of December brings us to our traditional end-of-year celebrations. The Unit 490 party will be held on Sunday, Dec. 8, at the Elks Lodge in Keizer. Dinner starts at 4 p.m., followed by bridge at 5. Salem Bridge Club will hold its annual finger-food party and elections on Friday, Dec. 20, at the noon game. Come join the festivities.

Comings and goings

In less festive news, this wouldn't be a Unit 490 report without an obituary or two. Former Salem Bridge Club President **Rose McGuire** passed away on Aug. 13. As a former school principal, Rose was dedicated to bridge education; specifically, looking for ways to enhance newcomer programs at Salem Bridge Club. Her positive attitude and willingness to pitch in are greatly missed.



Rose McGuire

Unit 490 also reports belatedly on the passing of **Marie Innes**.

In brighter news, the unit welcomes new members **Coleen Walton**, **William Criteser**, and **Peter Soni**. We're glad to have you with us.

Tournament tales

The unit had great success at the Eugene regional in early August. Congratulations to Barbara Nelson, Mike Fagan, Karen Crooch, Doug Reed, Ross and Jeanne Hibler, J.P.



Salem

By Kevin Kacmarynski

www.salembridgeclub.org

and Elisabeth Perchellet, Mike Green, Randy Naef and Joanne Benkstein for victories in their various events.

The unit fared less well at the Seaside regional where the only first place overall was provided by **Don Pitt** and **Jerry Gordon** in Bracket 5 of the Saturday Compact Knockout playing with Thad and Mindy Smith from Boulder. The unit did manage several first-in-strat results at Seaside which can be seen in the tournament results section of this issue. **Mike Levy** led Unit 490 with 70.23 points won in Eugene while **Jerry Gordon** was the leading Unit 490 masterpoint winner at Seaside with 45.64.



Don Pitt and Jerry Gordon

Success on the sectional front was also limited this quarter with the unit's only overall wins coming courtesy of **Steve** and **Sue Jackson** (199er pairs, Bend) and the foursome of **Barbara Nelson**, **Mike Green**, **Randy Naef** and **Ben Mitchell** (BCD Swiss

Bracket 1, Portland).

Rank changes

Congratulations to **Jan Petroski**, Unit 490's newest Life Master.

Other rank changes include: Junior Master, Lynne Hardin; Club Master, Michael Keeney, Joanne Benkstein, Shirley Crenshaw; Sectional Masters, Linda Bonnem, Steve Jackson, Sue Jackson; Regional Masters, Karen Crooch, Doug Reed; NABC Masters, Ross Hibler, J.P. Perchellet; Silver Life Master, Randy Naef.

Unit games

Kevin Kacmarynski still leads the race for the Lewis Award with 27.56 masterpoints won in unit games through October. **Shain Oleson** is second with 21.02.

Results

Unit Game, July 7 — 1A/1B/1C: Bill & JoAnne Georgi; 2A/2B: Nancy & Jack Wetherson; 3A/3B: Randy Naef — Mike Green.

Unit Game, July 17 — 1A/1B: Henri Jansen — Bill Holloran; 2A/2B/1C: Britta Franz — Chris Owens; 3A: Tom McGuire — Kevin Kacmarynski.

Unit Game, Aug. 4 — 1A/1B/1C: Don Pitt — Wing Yung; 2A: Jackie Mishler — Claudine Lake; 3A: Shain Oleson — Jan Suggs.

Unit Game, Aug. 14 — 1A/1B: Shain Oleson — Tom McGuire; 2A/2B: Wing Yung — Stewart Trimble; 3A: Brian Breckenridge — Lynne Hardin.

Unit Game, Sept. 1 — 1A: Ed Lee — Irva Neyhart; 2A: Steve Drew — Kevin Kacmarynski; 3A: David & Kathy Astle.

Unit Game, Sept. 18 — 1A/1B: Bill Holloran — Kevin Kacmarynski; 2A/2B: Shain Oleson — Jerry Gordon; 3A: Brian Breckenridge — Chris Poulos.

Unit Game, Oct. 6 — 1A: Claudine Lake — Jackie Mishler; 2A: Jan Suggs — Shain Oleson; 3A: David & Kathy Astle.

Unit Game, Oct. 16 — 1A/1B: Bill Holloran — Kevin Kacmarynski; 2A/2B: Jerry Gordon — Shain Oleson; 3A/3B: Randy Jordan — Tom McGuire.

Chris's Corner: Overhearing UI creates difficult situation

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extraneous information, the director should interrupt the play to award the artificial adjusted score.

The choice of artificial adjusted score to give was correct; that is, neither you nor your opponents were at fault for a table result being unachievable. When a pair is in no way at fault, they should receive an

average plus.

When a director is forced to give an artificial adjusted score such as this, he should also consider giving a procedural penalty to the players who caused the problem. That is, Law 90.B.3 indicates that one offense subject to procedural penalty is "discussion of the bidding, play or result of a board, which may be overheard at another table."

At a club game, the procedural penalty may take the form of a sternly worded warning. At a tournament, we are more likely to assess penalties that will offset the amount that was artificially added by awarding average plus scores to both NS and EW at the next table.

Ruling questions for Chris? Email chris.wiegand@acbl.org

Central Oregon Coast



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The Central Oregon Coast unit has not fallen into the ocean, as far as we know. It was there in August when Trumpet editor at large **Chip Dombrowski** visited, and still there in October when more than 150 players descended on the Newport sectional, which hosted 164 tables. **Diane Caccamise** was the unit's top winner.

DISTRICT 20 RANK CHANGES

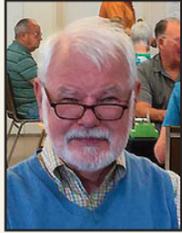
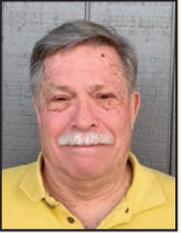
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Friday, March 27 (Single Sessions)

299er Pairs (0 - 300) * 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.
 Stratified Open Pairs 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 29 (single sessions available)

299er Pairs (0 - 300) * 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.
 Stratified Open Pairs 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.
 (play through)

Sunday, March 30

Stratified Swiss Teams 10 a.m. and TBA
 Stratified by average masterpoints
 Lunch available

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District Finals

All matches will be played online with BBO at various locations throughout District 20. Pre-registration is required. Information will be available online.

National Finals

Winning teams advance to the GNT National Finals against the other district finalists and receive a travel subsidy from D20 including amounts from Grass Roots Funds distributions. Subsidies are based on the number of teams entered in each flight. The National Finals will be held at the Summer NABCs at the Montreal Convention Center in Montreal, Quebec.

<http://tournaments.acbl.org/schedule.php?sanction=2007001>

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

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THE IN! CROWD

For Intermediate/Newcomer Players

Sherry's trouble understanding Tom's raises

Sherry Squirrel is pacing and kicking herself.

[Sherry's POV]

I can never figure out how my game is going during the game. This time I was lucky enough to play with Tom Tortoise. We had never played together and did not have a whole lot of time to fill out a card or discuss styles (which Owl says is more important than a convention card). We played standard signals and no conventions over notrump openers.

Tom is 96 years young. He cannot see the cards so well as his prescription is quite old, but he focuses and asks about each card if he is unsure. Boy can he play the spots off the cards.

I picked up:

♠A K 6 4 3 ♥8 7 6 ♦Q 10 8 ♣7 5.

Dlr: North ♠Q J 9 8 5
 Vul: N/S ♥K Q J 9
 ♦J 7
 ♣8 6

♠2	♠10 7
♥A 10 4 3	♥5 2
♦K 6 5 4	♦A 9 3 2
♣K 10 9 3	♣A Q J 4 2

♠A K 6 4 3
 ♥8 7 6
 ♦Q 10 8
 ♣7 5

Tom passes and my RHO opens 1♣. I make a lead-directing 1♠ bid, thinking that if Tom cannot open, it must be their hand. They tell me that a passed hand

cannot make a forcing bid, but I discovered an exception today. Tom bid 2♣. I wondered if the person on my right had opened a convenient minor, and he only promised three. I did look at his card. I passed. Apparently, one is not supposed to pass a cuebid. It is forcing, even if you are a passed hand. You are telling partner that you like their bid and have close to an opening hand. If he had not liked my bid and had clubs, he would have bid notrump or passed. I hope that I never pass partner in a cuebid again.



Margi Redden
 D20 I/N Coordinator

Tom played his 2-2 club fit rather than my playing a 5-5 spade fit. We were off to a great start.

I never give up, that is what is so much fun about this game; you can have a few zeroes and still win or place in the top half.

So later in the game I open 2♠, lefty passes, Tom bids 4♠, and righty passes. This hand comes down. He has 6 HCP!

Dlr: South ♠10 5 4 3
 Vul: E/W ♥K Q J 10 2
 ♦10 6 2
 ♣5

♠K 9 6 ♠—
 ♥6 3 ♥A 9 7 5
 ♦Q J ♦A K 9 4 3
 ♣A Q J 7 6 2 ♣9 8 4 3

♠A Q J 8 7 2
 ♥8 4
 ♦8 7 5
 ♣10

I am appalled and struck deaf. I will remember to mention this at the postmortem when we see what others have done. I thought that one needed to have 18 HCP to jump to game after a preemptive bid. Turns out we got a 75% on this. Now I am starting to learn about the law of total tricks.

Last, but not least, they opened 1♦ to my left, Tom overcalls 1♠, and I hold:

♠J 8 3 ♥J 8 7 6 5 3 ♦J 7 ♣10 9

Dlr: West ♠K Q 7 6 5
 Vul: Both ♥Q 10 9 2
 ♦K Q 5
 ♣6

♠A 10	♠9 4 2
♥—	♥A K 4
♦A 10 9 8 6 2	♦4 3
♣A Q J 8 7	♣K 5 4 3 2

♠J 8 3
 ♥J 8 7 6 5 3
 ♦J 7
 ♣10 9

I do not think that I have enough to bid. It goes, pass, pass, 3♣, Tom bids 3♥ in tempo and Hawk doubles, so with my six hearts, I get excited and redouble. Who would blame me? Squirrels are excitable creatures and we have a double fit! And we go down for a 75 percent. It turns out to be the same whether we score minus 200 or minus 400. But it was so much fun.

I will not have to explain that our score on the cuebid passed was a zero. I could hardly wait to tell them at the postmortem that I made 2♥ doubled at the team game.

D20 I/N Coordinator Margi Redden can be reached at d20incoord@yahoo.com.

69TH HAWAIIAN REGIONAL

Jan. 20-26, 2020

Monday, January 20

Aloha Bracketed KO Teams (1/4).....7 p.m.
 Aloha Charity Pairs (stratified).....7 p.m.

Tuesday, January 21

Aloha Bracketed KO Teams (2/4).....9:30 a.m.
 Jazz with Aloha Morning Side Game Series (1/5).....9:30 a.m.
 Stratified Open Pairs.....9:30 a.m. & 2 p.m.
 Bracketed Swiss Teams.....9:30 a.m. & 2 p.m.
 Aloha Bracketed KO Teams (3/4).....2 p.m.
 Afternoon Side Game Series (1/5).....2 p.m.
 Aloha Bracketed KO Teams (4/4).....7:30 p.m.
 Evening Side Game Series (1/5).....7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 22

OAHU Bracketed KO Teams (1/4).....9:30 a.m.
 Jazz with Aloha Morning Side Game Series (2/5).....9:30 a.m.
 Stratified ABC Pairs (unl., 5000, 2000).....9:30 & 2 p.m.
 Stratified Gold Pairs (750,300).....9:30 & 2 p.m.
 Afternoon Side Game Series (2/5).....2 p.m.
 OAHU Bracketed KO Teams (2/4).....2 p.m.
 Evenina Side Game Series (2/5).....7:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 23

OAHU Bracketed KO Teams (3/4).....9:30 a.m.
 Jazz with Aloha Morning Side Game Series (3/5).....9:30 a.m.
 Stratified ABC Swiss (unl., 5000, 2000).....9:30 & 2 p.m.
 Stratified Gold Swiss (750, 300).....9:30 & 2 p.m.
 Afternoon Side Game Series (3/5).....2 p.m.
 OAHU Bracketed KO Teams (4/4).....2 p.m.
 Evening Side Game Series (3/5).....7:30 p.m.
 MAUI Bracketed KO Teams (2/3).....7:30 p.m.

Friday, January 24

Jazz with Aloha Morning Side Game Series (4/5).....9:30 a.m.
 Open Pairs (2000+, 0-2000).....9:30 a.m. & 2 p.m.
 Gold Point Pairs (300-750, 0-300).....9:30 a.m. & 2 p.m.
 HAWAII Bracketed KO Teams (1/4).....9:30 a.m.
 Afternoon Side Game Series (4/5).....2 p.m.
 HAWAII Bracketed KO Teams (2/4).....2 p.m.
 Evening Side Game Series (4/5).....7:30 p.m.
 MAUI Bracketed KO Teams (3/3).....7:30 p.m.
 KAUAI Compact Bracketed KOs (1+2).....7:30 p.m.
 Single Session Stratified Swiss Teams.....7:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 25

Jazz with Aloha Morning Side Game Series (5/5).....9:30 a.m.
 MOLOKAI Compact Bracketed KOs (1+2).....9:30 a.m.
 HAWAII Bracketed KO Teams (3/4).....9:30 a.m.
 Stratified Open Pairs.....9:30 a.m. & 2 p.m.
 Afternoon Side Game Series (5/5).....2 p.m.
 MOLOKAI Compact Bracketed KOs (3+4).....2 p.m.
 HAWAII Bracketed KO Teams (4/4).....2 p.m.
 Evening Side Game Series (5/5).....7:30 p.m.
 KAUAI Compact Bracketed KOs (3+4).....7:30 p.m.
 Single Session Stratified Swiss Teams.....7:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 26

Swiss Teams (20 VP).....9:30 a.m. & TBA
 Open flight plays separately: unlimited / 5000 / 2000
 B / C / D teams: 1000 / 500 / 300
 Fast Open Pairs.....9:30 a.m. & TBA

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ENTRY FEES

Regional Events: \$15 / session (+\$4 per session for lapsed ACBL members; all non-members must join)

DRESS CODE

No bare feet allowed. Bermuda shorts OK, but no short shorts. No alcohol in playing area.

All Sunday Swiss play finished by 5:30 p.m.



Chris's Corner

ACBL tournament director
Chris Wiegand answers your
questions on rulings.

Overheard at the next table

Q: I overheard the table next to me lamenting missing a grand slam. I pull out a massive hand from the board and suspect this hand. I felt uncomfortable but decided to proceed and opened 2♣. My LHO made an artificial call and partner bid a positive, natural suit. I have a huge fit for partner, a void, and like six aces. I said to the table, "I don't know if I can carry on, I heard something at the last table. Let me fetch the director." The director ruled that I had unauthorized information and could not proceed normally with the auction and gave both pairs at my table an average plus.

My question, was I wrong to open 2♣ and try to start an auction? At what point do I go the director?

A: What a difficult position to be in! Yes, this is one of the many reasons why we need to reserve our wonderful discussions of the hands until after the session and avoid, as much as possible, unnecessary conversation about the scores. Even announcing the score of 1460 or 2220 is enough to let nearby tables know that a slam may be available and that can put those players in awkward positions. Even worse is a statement like, "If I only finessed East for the queen, I would have made the slam!"

Fortunately, there is a Law that covers this topic, specifically Law 16.D deals with Extraneous Information from Other Sources. Basically, as soon as a player acquires such extraneous knowledge, he should call the director so that the director may monitor. The easiest situation is something where the board spilled some cards and the North player sees cards from the South hand. In that type of situation, the director will likely have the North player hold the South cards for that one hand only so that normal play can continue. Or if it is the first round of a shuffle/deal/play event, the director may ask the players to simply redeal. Or maybe there is a substitute player that can fill in for the one hand.

Those are the easy situations. The type of situation you describe is far more common and much harder to accommodate. If the information is so very revealing (like the statement above about the queen in one hand making the slam), it may be impossible for play to occur. If so, the director should be prepared to award artificial adjusted scores (such as the average plus to both sides when neither is at fault). In general, we try to avoid giving artificial adjusted scores and try to get real bridge results to decide our bridge contests. When possible, the director should monitor and allow play to continue, with the hopes that the player in possession of the extraneous information has clear decisions at each point, untainted by the extraneous information.

For example, in the hand you cited, it sounds as if the 2♣ opening call was obvious, as was the decision to explore slam/grand slam when your partner made a positive bid and you had a fit. If all of your calls are obvious based upon the authorized information of the cards and the auction to date, then there is not necessarily a reason to disallow play of the hand. If at some juncture, there is a decision to be made and one choice becomes clearer/more obvious due to the



TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

DISTRICT 20 REGIONALS & SECTIONALS

DECEMBER 2019

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Big Island Limited Sectional
District 20 STaC

Makua Lani Christian Academy, Kailua Kona HI
Local clubs

JANUARY 2020

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Jan 20 – 26
24 – 26

Vancouver Winter NLM Sectional
Garden Island Sectional
HAWAII REGIONAL
Portland Winter Sectional

Vancouver Bridge Club, Vancouver WA
Sun Village Condominium Recreation Center, Lihue HI
Prince Waikiki, Honolulu HI
Kliever Armory, Portland OR

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2020

27 – 2

Pacific States STaC

Local clubs

FEBRUARY 2020

7 – 9
7 – 9
15 – 17
Feb 17 – 23

Maui Sectional
Boise Sectional
Big Island Sectional
OREGON TRAIL REGIONAL

Maui Bridge Club, Kihei HI
Red Lion Hotel Downtowner, Boise ID
Makua Lani Christian Academy, Kailua Kona HI
Vancouver Wash. Hilton, Vancouver WA

MARCH 2020

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Honolulu Sectional
Chico Almond Blossom Sectional
Heart of the Valley Sectional
Rogue Valley Spring Sectional

Ala Wai Clubhouse, Honolulu HI
Chico Women's Club, Chico CA
Benton County Fairgrounds, Corvallis OR
Dan Voorhies Bridge Center, Phoenix OR

APRIL 2020

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Eugene 299er Sectional
Vancouver Spring Sectional
Ontario Sectional
Redding Spring Sectional
Seaside Sectional
Golden Clam I/N Regional

Emerald Bridge Club, Springfield OR
Washington School for the Deaf, Vancouver WA
Four Rivers Cultural Center, Ontario OR
Win-River Hotel & Casino, Redding CA
Seaside Convention Center, Seaside OR
Seaside Convention Center, Seaside OR

MAY 2020

May 11 – 17
15 – 17
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ORE. HIGH DESERT REGIONAL
Honolulu Sectional
Portland Spring Sectional

Riverhouse on the Deschutes, Bend OR
Ala Wai Clubhouse, Honolulu HI
Milwaukie Elks Lodge, Milwaukie OR

JUNE 2020

5 – 7
TBA

Eugene Sectional
Salem Sectional

Northwest Christian University, Eugene OR
Keizer/Salem Area Seniors, Keizer OR

JULY 2020

10 – 12
July 27 – Aug. 2

Honolulu Sectional
TREASURE VALLEY REGIONAL

Ala Wai Clubhouse, Honolulu HI
Nampa Civic Center, Nampa ID

AUGUST 2020

14 – 16

Vancouver Summer Sectional

Washington School for the Deaf, Vancouver WA

SEPTEMBER 2020

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11 – 13
11 – 13
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25 – 27

Eureka Sectional
Honolulu Sectional
Portland Fall Sectional
Rogue Valley Fall Sectional
Boise Sectional

Humboldt Area Foundation, Bayside CA
Ala Wai Clubhouse, Honolulu HI
Milwaukie Elks Lodge, Milwaukie OR
Dan Voorhies Bridge Center, Phoenix OR
Red Lion Hotel Downtowner, Boise ID

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DISTRICT 19: www.d19.org

Dec. 13–15 Tacoma Sectional, Fircrest WA
Feb. 7–9 Bellingham Sectional WA
Feb. 14–16 Seattle Sectional, Bellevue WA
March 13–15 Seattle Sectional, Everett WA
April 6–12 **Vancouver Regional**, Burnaby BC
April 21–23 Yakima Sectional WA
April 24–26 Tacoma Sectional, Fircrest WA
April 30–May 3 Tri-Cities Sectional, Richland WA
June 15–21 **Penticton Regional** BC

DISTRICT 21: www.d21acbl.com

Dec. 6–8 Sacramento Sectional CA
Jan. 6–12 **Monterey Regional** CA
Jan. 25–26 Livermore Sectional CA
March 7–8 Santa Rosa Sectional CA
March 14–15 **Mountain View I/N Regional** CA
March 24–27 Reno Sectional, Sparks NV
April 4–5 Modesto Sectional CA
April 18–19 Larkspur Sectional CA
May 1–3 Sacramento Sectional, Orangevale CA
May 25–31 **Sacramento Regional** CA

DISTRICT 18: www.wasumi.org

Jan. 17–19 Salt Lake City Sectional UT
Feb. 7–9 St. George Sectional UT
March 27–29 Salt Lake City Sectional UT
April 13–19 **Lethbridge Regional** AB
May 11–17 **Salt Lake City Regional** UT
June 5–7 Bozeman Sectional MT

DISTRICT 17: www.d17acbl.org

Jan. 9–12 Tucson Sectional AZ
Jan. 20–26 **Albuquerque Regional** NM
March 2–8 **Tucson Regional** AZ
April 24–26 Scottsdale Sectional & I/N Regional AZ
May 19–25 **Denver Regional** CO

DISTRICT 22: acbldistrict22.com/d22

Dec. 9–15 **Palm Springs Regional**, Rancho Mirage CA
Jan. 10–11 San Diego Sectional & I/N Regional, Poway CA
Jan. 27–Feb. 2 **Costa Mesa Regional** CA
Feb. 14–15 Palm Springs Sectional CA
March 5–8 **Palm Desert I/N Regional** CA
April 6–12 **San Diego Regional** CA

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Palais des Congrès, Montreal QC
Convention Center, Tampa FL
Renaissance Grand, St. Louis MO