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ACBL UNIT 499 NEWSLETTER

President's Message



Where has the summer gone? I hope it has found you at the bridge tables for our ProAm (another full house and successful event in June), Unit Games, at the NAP qualifying games at our various clubs, and local sectionals. Some of you may also have attended the Las Vegas Regional.

The unit has a number of upcoming events you will want to calendar!

Our "Almost Fall" Sectional will be September 19 and 20, once again at the San Ramon Valley High School in Danville. It's the first time we have had our event in September, so be sure to schedule your favorite partner now.

The annual Tunnel Tourney competition with the East Bay Unit 502 will be on Sunday, October 25 at DVBC. Our unit won the event last year, and the coveted plaque has been on DVBC's wall since last fall. Please plan to play, and help us keep the plaque again this year!

Our Silver 0-499 NLM Sectional will be a two-day event this year. There will be pairs games on Saturday, and Swiss Teams on Sunday. The event will be at DVBC.

There are more details on each of these events on our website.

Some of you may be attending the summer NABC in Chicago. We wish the best of luck to Bob Munson and his teammates, who are representing District 21 in the GNT (Grand National Teams) competition there. For those playing in the Windy City, have a good run!

Stay cool during this usually warm month, and visit your favorite club for a few hours at the tables. It's always fun to play, see your friends, and maybe even come home with a dusting of master points!

Anne Hollingsworth scootcat@pacbell.net

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Deadline for September is August 14th

To submit a letter to the editor, send it to Judy Keilin at ikeilin@pacbell.net

Be sure to visit the unit website for more information on our clubs and events, as well as archives of our newsletters.

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...from the editor

eDeclarer lives! Mary and I will continue to publish our monthly newsletter. Many of you support our effort by reading it, but think how much better it could be with contributions from our unit membership. We welcome your thoughts on anything you think our bridge community will find interesting.

Judy Keilin, Editor
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Mary Krouse, Publisher



Unit 499 Milestones

New Junior Masters

John Dresden Shelley Rodrigues

New Club Masters

Barbara Gear

New Sectional Masters

Aline Moran

New Regional Masters

John Kunzman Rebecca Kunzman Richard Sheehy Kathy Wolf

New NABC Masters

Shelley Bagg Ted Gunn

New Life Masters

Jon Bagg Chris Evans

New Bronze Life Masters

Addie Mattox

New Silver Life Masters

Frank Concepcion

Diablo Valley





Sept 19 & 20, 2015

San Ramon Valley High School

501 Danville Blvd., Danville, CA 94526

Presented by Diablo Valley Unit 499 (http://diablovalleybridge.com)

Saturday, September 19th

<u>10:00 AM</u> <u>3:15 PM</u>

Two Session Stratified Open Pairs (session 1) Two Session Stratified Open Pairs (session 2)

(0-750/750-2000/2000+) (0-750/750-2000/2000+)

Single Session Stratified Pairs*: Single Session Stratified Pairs*:

 Open
 (0-750/750-2000/2000+)

 299er
 (0-50/50-100/100-300)

 99er
 (0-20/20-50/50-100)

 99er
 (0-20/20-50/50-100)

Games and strats will be adjusted based on attendance.

Sunday, September 20th

10:00 AM & TBD: <u>Bracketed Swiss Teams.</u> Brackets posted at tournament. <u>Teams must play both</u> <u>sessions.</u> 7 rounds/7 boards (lowest bracket plays 7 rounds/6 boards). 20 VP Scale for all brackets. Brackets based on team masterpoint average. Teams may elect to play in top bracket.

Guest Speaker: Bob Garret, D21 President, during lunch on Saturday!

Table fees:\$11 per session (non-ACBL or unpaid members \$14)Tournament Director:Dianne Barton-Paine ACBL Sanction #:S1509159Tournament Chair:Jackie Zayac (925) 284-2309 or jackiezayac@gmail.com

Partnerships: Partnership desk available at tournament. Also, use Unit 499's Google Group to find

a partner: http://groups.google.com/group/bridgepartner499

Food: Light Refreshments. Lunch available for purchase Saturday & Sunday.

Directions: Take I-680 and exit onto El Cerro Blvd., turn west on El Cerro approx. 0.4 miles to Danville Blvd. Turn left onto Danville Blvd and drive 0.2 miles. San Ramon Valley High School is on the right. Enter San Ramon Valley High School at the <u>3rd driveway on your right</u>. <u>Follow parking signs to park behind the school.</u>



Club News

This section is for club owners and managers who wish to submit news about their games. Please go to our website for information about all our clubs, game times, and to check on the latest results.

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ROSSMOOR DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Gateway Club

Rossmoor



August 17-22 Summer Fun STAC Week. All regular games will be held in the Oak Room at the Gateway Center.

Kit Miller

Blackhawk Duplicate Bridge Blackhawk Country Club

The Blackhawk Club will have its usual games on the first and 4th Wednesdays in August, and a special game August 19th during STaC Week. Gentlemen are invited and the game will be held in the main dining room. We're hoping for a big turnout!

Contact Lilah (lilahnewton@yahoo.com) for reservations.

Lilah Newton

Diablo Bridge Club

Diablo Country Club

The once monthly bridge game at Diablo Country Club, continues under the direction of Mary Krouse. This game is the 3rd Tuesday of every month and open to all. To make a reservation, contact Mary at diablokr@gmail.com, or (925) 984-3846.

The August game will be a STAC game. Come out for silver points!

Mary Krouse

The Moraga Evening Duplicate Bridge Club



The Moraga Evening Duplicate Bridge club will meet in August 2015 as follows:

Wednesday, August 5th Tuesday, August 11th Wednesday, August 19th Tuesday, August 25th

Games always begin at 7pm., and finish about 10. Fee is \$3 per player. ACBL Open Club, with Master Points. Hand Records. Free play for the winners.

YOU MUST SIGN UP IN ADVANCE with: Winnie Jasper (winnie@wjasper.com) for Wednesdays, or David Geary (dsgeary@comcast.net) for Tuesdays.

We meet at the Moraga Country Club, upstairs, on St. Andrews, a short distance from Moraga Way.

Recent results:

5/26/2015 - 3 tables

1 - Ann Elliott & Sheila Knoth

2t - Libby & George Henrich

2t - Sue & Shyam Rungta

6/3/2015 - 2 tables

1t - Sue & Shyam Rungta

1t - Winnie Jasper & Jerry Chamberlain

3 - Lois & Dick Halliday

6/23/2015 - 3 ½ tables

1 – Winnie Jasper & Jerry Chamberlain

2t – Mary Stuart & Al Dessayer

2t - Colleen & David Geary

7/1/2015 - 2 tables

1 - Colleen & David Geary

2t – Lois & Dick Halliday

2t - Renee & Dennis Ross

Regards,

David Geary

The 24/680 Club

The location is our home:
183 Corliss Drive , Moraga 94556
(on the corner of Corliss and Crossbrook Drives at the stop sign)
On-street parking
925-376-1125

Reservations required:

Winnie: Winnie@wjasper.com or 925-376-

1125 (home)

Jerry: <u>925-766-5228</u> (cell)



All systems finally appear to be operational!

Our Bridge Pads are communicating with the computer to record our Wednesday morning game results and we are now able to upload our results and hand records to the ACBL and then the Unit 499 Results Website.

Jerry struggled getting the Swiss Team Results to report correctly, but persevered so they are now posted also.

Our first Swiss Team Game was on May 16 sponsored by the Moraga Bridge Club. There were nine tables divided into three flights.

First Place:

Flight A: David Geary, Sue Eltringham, Don Steedman, Vicki Chang Flight B: Bob Barnes, Larry Lange, Max Creamer and Dick Halliday Flight C: Vicky Chen, Indira Chandnani, Christa Krick, Mary-Jill Clemens

Complete results are posted on the 24/680 Results Page on the Saturday June 13 date.

The June Swiss is recorded under Saturday, June 20, the date it was played. There were 6 teams divided into two flights. First Place:

Flight A: Mark & Lynne Humphrey, Barbara Hanson, Winnie Jasper

Flight B: Bob & Jan Campbell, Kate Campbell, Brian King

Wednesday June 24 Jerry served homemade pizza and salad. The big winners that day were:

- 1 Tony Mason (driving in from Oakley!) and Jerry Chamberlain
- 2/3 Tie: Antica Odabashian and Ashok Chakradeo
- 2/3 Tie: Shyam & Sue Rungta

Wednesday July 1:

- 1 Tony Mason and Jerry Chamberlain
- 2 Elizabeth Rutter and Rosemary Hagman (First in B) Olga Gordon and Maxine Winer

Wednesday July 8:

- 1 Joel and Susan White
- 2 Rosemary Hagman and Jerry Chamberlain
- 3 Lynn Middlebrook (her first duplicate game!) and Winnie Jasper (First in B): Antica Odabashian and Edna Tussey

Our Wednesday games (10am to about 2:15pm with lunch included) will be held every week and we continue to host a Swiss Team Game on the third Saturday of each month. Occasionally there will be exceptions due to conflicts with Unit 499 special events, such as September, where we must move the game to the fourth Saturday, September 26.

Please remember that reservations are required in advance for these games. If we have enough notice we can usually arrange for partnerships.

Jerry Chamberlain & Winnie Jasper Winnie@wjasper.com 925-376-1125

24/680 BRIDGE CLUB SWISS TEAMS SATURDAY, August 15, 2015 * * * 10:00AM * * * Light Lunch Served; 12 Noon \$40/team

We hope to continue having a separate Section of teams of beginning players.

The Game will be Handicapped per directions on ACBL SCORE to give teams with lower master-point totals a boost when playing against more experienced players, OR strati-flighted if enough teams enter to accomplish this.

LIMITED TO 12 TEAMS

Please make a reservation in ADVANCE Winnie Jasper at Winnie@wjasper.com Jerry Chamberlain at 925-766-5228 (CELL)

New Location 183 Corliss Drive, Moraga CA 94556 925-376-1125

NEED TEAMMATES OR A TEAM?
WE WILL TRY TO MATCH UP PLAYERS