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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF ACBL UNIT 549

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MORE TABLE MANNERS

Back in the last century, BBB (Before Bidding Boxes), much could be told by mannerisms or inflections of bidders. Could there be a difference between “Double” or “I double that”? We actually had someone slam his hand against the table when saying “4 No Trump”, alerting his partner that his bid was ace asking rather than quantitative.

But even with the bidding boxes in use UI (Unauthorized Information) can come into play. What about touching a pass and then a bid and then again a pass? How much information is given to the partner of the undecided bidder?

Make that bidding decision before you start toward the bidding box. Think, make a plan, and then reach for the bidding box.

Sheila

Upcoming Unit 549 Events - Mark the Date Special Games with Extra Points

LSMDBC - International Fund Games during all of September except for the week of 9/21-25. That week will be charity games. The Pot Luck will be Sept. 18th

BCNC - International Fund Games on Sept. 1st, 4th, 16th, 19th, 24th and 28th. All games will be at 12:30pm. Club Championships will be held on the 3rd and the 25th both 399er and Open games. Barometer games are every Saturday (except the fourth Saturday) and the 12th will be a Pot Luck.

Saturday, September 26th - 11:30 AM - Lungevity Foundation Charity Game, Lake San Marcos Conference Center

Saturday, October 24th - 12:30 PM - Unit Championship Game, Lake San Marcos Pavilion

Lungevity Foundation Charity Game

Mark the Date! September 26th! Our 3rd Annual Lungevity Foundation Charity Game at the Lake San Marcos Conference Center. The entry is \$25 per person and is fully tax deductible to Lungevity Foundation. A wonderful lunch with lots of homemade desserts will be provided along with all beverages, coffee, tea, bottled water and sodas. Don't miss the chance to support Lungevity and honor our members lost to Lung Cancer.

This game is supported by Unit 549 and Unit 531.

ALERT

Alert! In 2015 our Unit game will be October 24th at the Lake San Marcos Pavilion. Unit Games now include lunch. Bottled water and sodas are provided at 50 cents a piece and coffee and tea are free. Overall winners in each section receive a **free play** at any Unit game. Unit Games are held on the 4th Saturday of each month at the Lake San Marcos Pavilion, 1105 La Bonita Dr, Lake San Marcos, Ca 92078. Call Liz Nixon for directions – [760-214-8999](tel:760-214-8999). **New! The games are \$9.00 including lunch and begin at 12:30pm.** Doors open at 11:45am. Go to Unit 549's web-site www.acblunit549.org for partnerships, to sign-up for the Unit games and see results.

Mark the Date! Unit 549 Winter Sectional is January 15th – 16th at the Lake San Marcos Conference Center. 1105 La Bonita Dr. Non-Life Master and Open Pairs games will be held plus Single Sessions Swiss teams. Go to www.acblunit549.org for complete information.

The Directors Institute of Escondido is presenting for the first time the "Club Director's Course". This course is for the serious minded person intent on becoming a professional Club Director. The course will be presented Saturday August 22 and Sunday August 23 at the Bridge Club of North County (2320 S. Escondido Blvd). Class hours are 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM both days. The Director's test will be scheduled at a later date and requires approximately 3 hours.

Cost of the course is \$70.00 and includes the ACBL Directors Test and a copy of the Laws of Duplicate Bridge. Payment is due at registration time. Pre- registration is required. Class size is limited to six students. A wait list will be created if necessary. Enrollment cannot be guaranteed. Checks should be made out and sent to either Jean Holt or Rex Latus. No credit cards accepted. To register call or email Jean Holt, 760-734-4518; email: jnnhlt582@gmail.com or Rex Latus, 760-781-3320 or email: kingrexus@aol.com

Welcome New Members to Unit 549

Frances Marwuelle, and Donald Roberts. Welcome back to Judy Veljovich and Bill Black. Welcome to all new and returning members!

Members Achieving New Levels of Achievement

Club Masters – Claire Schneider; Sectional Master – Jocelyn O'Brien and Judy Rice. Congratulations to all!

Unit 549 Club News

Bridge Club of North County

BCNC will hold International Fund Games on Sept. 1st, 4th, 16th, 19th, 24th and 28th. All games will be at 12:30pm. Club Championships will be held on the 3rd for the 499er and Open games, and on the 25th for the 399er and Open games. Barometer games are every Saturday (except the fourth Saturday) and the 12th will be a Pot Luck. Supervised play for advancing players is held every Monday and Thursday at 9:00am.

The **Top Five Open players** for July were Jeri Adams, Al Nadel, Tom Nolan, Marilyn Florin and Les Lemke. **The Top Five NLM Players** were Dan Higgins, Rick Sontag, Doris Cubeisy, Sue Compton and Barbara White. Congratulations to the Top five!

Go to www.bridgeclubofnorthcounty.org to find everything you need to know about bridge at the new club. **The address is 2320 S. Escondido Blvd, Escondido, 92025. Phone # is 760-807-9396.** Feel free to contact the Club regarding Club programs and special games. New email: bridgeclubofNC@gmail.com

Lake San Marcos Duplicate Bridge Club at Grandon

We will have International Fund Games during all of September except for the week of 9/21-25. That week will be charity games. The Pot Luck will be Sept. 18th and the Annual Longevity game will be Sept. 26th at the Conference Center at Lake San Marcos.

The charities for July were Esperanca and Interfaith.

Top Five Players for June were Tim Flaherty, Diana Fritz-Maes, Mac Busby, Gary Beed, and tied for 5th place were Sandy Hrstich and Lynne Jaseph. Way to go top five!

Reminder: LSMDBC has a Tuesday night game at 6:30pm! The Wednesday game starts at 10:00am and includes a **Free Chalk Talk by Jean Holt**, snacks and coffee. Players are asked to bring a bag lunch if they desire. The cost is \$5.00 for chalk talk and game.

The Lake San Marcos DBC hosts a once a month Potluck (dine at 5:30pm) on the third Friday (generally) night at 6:30p. For Information call Jean at [760.734.4518](tel:760.734.4518) or Nina at [760.736.9386](tel:760.736.9386) for further information.

ACBL Duplicate Bridge in Ramona

New Name, New address!

**Ramona Community Center –
434 Aqua Lane off 5th St., Ramona, CA 92065.
Sanctioned Games Wed. & Fri. at 10:00 a.m.**

Hot Lunch \$4 + \$6 for Game.

Free Adult Lessons - Tues. at 2:00 p.m.

**Sanctioned Evening Game - Thurs. at 6 p.m. +
Snacks. After-School Youth Bridge –
Fri. 3 – 5:00 p.m. Pizza, too!**

Call Mary Ann Houston for Details: [760-789-1132](tel:760-789-1132)

Sports, musical instruments, cards ... What's the difference between a good player and a great one? Aspiration, dedication and practice, practice, practice. In Ramona, we're improving scores. Tuesday players learn new conventions weekly and play a 0-20 ACBL sanctioned game at 2:45 p.m. Our youth group joins the adults for the sanctioned game, even though we continue the After-School Friday Game just for them. The kids – fearless!

Speaking of practice, it's not just at club gatherings anymore. Players, including our screen-loving youth, improve bids and plays without benefit of the club: Online – Bridge Base against partners, Arkadium against a computer, ACBL Online – to gain Master Points, AARP, CNN, MSN, YouTube, BridgePro and Bridge Doctor to improve and practice. Several members, the tech-savvy, purchased downloadable Bridge Baron 25 and the new iPad, iPhone, Android, and Tablet games like Funbridge.com so they're never far from a play! Imagine bidding while waiting in a grocery line! Even our teachers look for extra practice, Geof, with Shark Bridge online tournaments, and joining Lenore for Supervised Games (BCNC, Escondido) with real live mentors!

Bridge in the Cloud! Watch for surprises (with quick thumbs)! That's the high-tech and lowdown on practice that sends Ramona Aces flying into the stratosphere!



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BOLD games denote Mega-Masterpoint Games.

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