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TALK

**THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF ACBL UNIT 549*****PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE*****MORE TABLE MANNERS...**

After playing at the Orange County Regional in Irvine last month, I watched as a gentleman (?) unwrapped a piece of candy and quickly threw the paper under his chair. Not only were there candy wrappings but used cups and napkins there as well. I wondered if he did the same at home and exactly what it would look like. Why do bridge players leave litter for others to pick up?

At our sectionals in January and June I noticed that, even after an announcement to pick up after oneself, I went through the room picking up trash left by non-compliant players. The room was strewn with used cups, candy wrappers and remains from lunch. (My poor aching back.)

Please be a good citizen, pick up after yourselves using the trash cans for your trash, and the recycling bins for your aluminum cans and plastic bottles. I thank you and the environment thank you!

Sheila

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

LSMDBC - Jane Johnson Appreciation games on Tuesday the 13th, Wed. the 14th and Friday night the 16th (also Potluck). Charity games will be held Oct. 27th and Oct. 28th. All of these special games mean More points!

BCNC - Sectionally Rated Games on Oct. 1, 4, 14, 16 (both Open and 499er), 20, 26 (Open Game), and Sectionally Rated Swiss Teams on Oct. 31. Club Championships on Oct. 3 and 12 (both Open and 499er). Charity Games on Oct. 6, 9 (both Open and 499er), 18, 22, and 28.

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

ALERT

In 2015 our Unit games will be October 24th, Nov. 21st (Toys for Marine Families) and Dec. 19th (Holiday Luncheon) 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.

Welcome New Members to Unit 549

Ann Butt, Ann Coil, Lois Hosmer, Florence Moreno and Supriyo Data. Welcome back to Nikki Gilberg. Welcome to all new and returning members!

Members Achieving New Levels of Achievement

Junior Masters – Paul and Donna Findley and Tim Haidinger; **Club Master** – Leo Muller; **Sectional Masters** – Bejai Higgins, William Rice, Marvin Schwedock, and Henry Tilleston; **Regional Master** – Patricia Uttley; **New Bronze Life Master** – Linda Monroe.

Congratulations to all!

70% Games

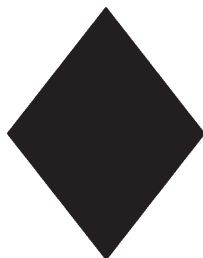
74% Jean Holt - Paul Van Middlesworth, Aug 11th, Lake San Marcos DBC

70% Jean Holt - Nina Laughbaum, Aug 29th, Scripps Ranch Bridge Club

70.37% Bernard - Carey Simkin 8/19 Ramona DBC

76.50% Kay Haralson - Gary Beed 8/20 Ramona DBC

Congratulations to all of you!



Unit 549 Club News

Bridge Club of North County

The **Top Five Open players** for August were Bunny Schmidt, Sheila Latus, Jeri Adams, Art Foeste and Chuck Donaldson. **The Top Five NLM Players** were Doris Cubeisy, Stanley Westreich, Dan Higgins, Rick Sontag and Sue Compton. Congratulations to the Top five!

Lots Happening in Escondido! Easy Bridge Lessons for beginners starts Oct. 13th at 6:30pm. First Four lessons are Free! The series is 15 lessons and are \$8 per lesson after the first four. Easy Bridge Booklet is \$12. Location is Bridge Club of North County. Call the Club or go online.

Special Games! Barometer games continue every Saturday with a Pot-Luck on October 10th. Also BCNC is starting **Sunday Open Games** on October 4th. These will be every Sunday! Check the Calendar for Charity games, Club Championships. One more special game will be **Oct. 31st Swiss Teams with 5% Gold Points!**

Bridge Club of North County donated to the following charities in October: Elizabeth Hospice, Meals on Wheels, Alzheimers Association and San Diego Humane Society.

Go to www.bridgeclubofnorthcounty.org to find everything you need to know about bridge at the 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

LSMDBC will hold the **Jane Johnson Appreciation** games on Tuesday the 13th, Wed. the 14th and Friday night the 16th. The 16th is the monthly Pot-luck as well. **Charity games** will be held Oct. 27th and Oct. 28th. All of these special games mean More points! The **charity for August** was the San Marcos Boys & Girls Club.

Top Five Players for August were Tim Flaherty, Jean Holt, Karen Smith, Judy Johnson and Mary Fenton. 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. **Address** is 1605 Grandon Ave., San Marcos, 92078

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)

STaC – stack – stacked: *the deck was stacked or the odds were stacked against us.* Thesaurus says: thwarted, frustrated, stymied ... you get the idea. Why so many One or Two Contracts in STaC games? Remember Cruella, our card sorter? Loves STaCs – cackles in the closet as we stumble and crumble. But this time, Cruella got her come-uppence!

Our recent sojourn into August's STaC-land proved quite an exception, Not only did little ol' Ramona players score high, but we also sneaked in a couple of new friends to help shake our pom-poms!

On Wed. 8/19 Bernard and Carey Simkin wowed us with 70.37%, 14 in Silver and 2nd Overall! On Thurs. 8/20 Kay Haralson and Gary Beed with 76.50% (gasp!) 17 Silver and 1st Overall! Then Fri. 8/21 along came Jack Bridgeman and Joan Hamilton with 2nd Overall and 14 Silver. Ramona – 1st or 2nd all 3 days! New definition: In Ramona we STaC 'em high!



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Unit 549 Board Members:						
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BOLD games denote Mega-Masterpoint Games.

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