

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF ACBL UNIT 549

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I must admit there was a little angst and anxiety surrounding our first unit game in exactly two years. But you came through for us. We hoped for 20 tables and planned for 24. So I'm pleased to report that we met and exceeded our expectations. And based on my conversations with many of you, you were glad to be back and enjoyed an afternoon of bridge, friendship and some good food.

Many of you are aware this didn't end without a little drama. I got a call the next morning from our Director, Ida, saying she just tested positive for COVID. The one positive besides the test was Ida wore a mask all day. Fortunately, we had e-mail addresses for almost everyone who played and we able to notify everybody quickly. I'm happy to report Ida's symptoms were mild and she is doing just fine. Also, I'm not aware of anyone who attended testing positive for COVID from their exposure at the game.

You may be familiar with Oasis, a local not-for profit that is committed to lifelong learning, health, wellness and community involvement for the over 50 generation. They recently purchased the former 24 Hour Fitness building in Rancho Bernardo to help better serve North County. In what truly would be a symbiotic relationship, the club (BCNC) and the unit are negotiating with them to be part of their North County footprint. Assuming we are successful, BCNC would have a dedicated club room at the facility and their large meeting room would be big enough for the unit to hold our unit games, seminars and sectionals there. The three big positives for us would be: a permanent location, lots of parking and they would be promoting bridge along with us. If this works we could be there early next year.

Just a reminder, the April unit game is this Saturday, April 23rd, at Seven Oaks in Rancho Bernardo. This is the best bridge deal in San Diego County, a really good lunch, a large non-life master section and some great competition in the open game for a measly 10 bucks. Lunch is served at 11:45 am and the game starts at 12:30 pm. See you there!!