

Upcoming Special Events

- **Houston Regional**, Feb. 2-8.*
 - **Club Championship Week**, Feb. 9-15, \$6.00 Entry Fee.
 - **Unit Championship**, Feb. 19, Noon, \$6.00 Entry Fee.
 - **Seniors Game**, Feb. 23, 10:30 a.m., \$7.00 Entry Fee. Minimum age to participate is 50 years young.
 - **Unit Championship/Mardi Gras**, Feb. 24, 10:30 a.m., \$6.00 Entry Fee.
 - **GNT (Grand National Teams) Qualifying**, Feb. 28, Noon, \$7.00 Entry Fee. No pre-qualifying required; just get your team together and come. The strata are as follows: **C** - Non-life-master up to 500 Masterpoints; **B** - 500 up to 2,000 Masterpoints; **A** - 2,000+ Masterpoints.
 - **Baton Rouge Sectional**, March 5-8.*
- * See www.acbl.org/play/tournaments.html for complete information about these events.



70% Games

- 01/06 – Claire Webb & Kathy Gilmore 70.0%
- 01/19 – Linda Stockton & Doug deMontluzin 70.83%

Did you have a 70% or better game? We want to report it in the *Kibitzer*. As soon as you complete a 70% game, have the director put a note in the *Kibitzer* envelope on the bulletin board in the hall.



Rosenblum Tournament Report

Dee Moses, Judy Katz and Joan Van Geffen wish to thank all of our members who helped so much to make our tournament a success. So many people helped us by making things, setting up, cleaning up, managing a meal or a day, donating money and sometimes doing a combination of things. So to everyone who helped, we can only say an enthusiastic big THANK YOU!

Tournament facts: Two hundred and twenty-eight players earned 762.40 masterpoints. The total attendance was 224 tables.



Unit Masterpoint Milestones

- NEW JUNIOR MASTERS**
Sandra E. Weber
- NEW SECTIONAL MASTERS**
Sarah T. Pasternack
- NEW REGIONAL MASTERS**
Joann T. Ippolito
Linda K. Worley
- NEW SILVER LIFE MASTERS**
Amelie L. Le Blanc

Congratulations to these Unit members upon their advancement in rank.



Know the Director’s Rulings

Jennie Flynn Sauviac

Law Changes – New Law 65

[Ed.: The ACBL has revised some of the laws of bridge and this column will deal with some of these changes for the next few months. The complete Laws of Duplicate Bridge can be found online at the ACBL’s web site:

<http://www.acbl.org/assets/documents/play/Laws-of-Duplicate-Bridge-2008.pdf> .]

Law 65 is called “Arrangement of Tricks”. It covers four items: A. Completed Trick, B. Keeping Track of the Ownership of Tricks, C. Orderliness, and D. Agreement on Results of Play.

Only item B has changed, by the addition of a new section, B3. This section now specifically allows any player to draw attention to a card pointed in the wrong direction. That right expires when a lead is made to the following trick. If a player calls attention to a mispointed card after the lead to the next trick, the director may have to judge whether this constitutes conveying unauthorized information to his partner under Law 16B. Directors now have a legal basis when having to deal with the dummy pointing out a trick turned the wrong way.

And remember that Law 65D is unchanged, saying, “A player should not disturb the order of his played cards until agreement has been reached on the number of tricks won. A player who fails to comply with the provisions of this law jeopardizes his right to claim ownership of doubtful tricks or to claim (or deny) a revoke.”



Overheard at the Table

“We had a 75-percent game last night! Three out of four opponents thought we were idiots.”

“We had a partnership misunderstanding. My partner assumed I knew what I was doing.”



Welcome to These New Unit 134 Members

- Linda J. Ash
- Christina C. Crutcher
- Judith G. Rowley
- John W. Smythe
- Helen H. Wisdom



Make Their Day – Ask a 299er to Play

Bronze LM’s or higher, please ask a 299er to play. You will have no entry fee the first time you play with a 299er and for each new 299er you play with. See the list by the TV or ask Jennie Sauviac (888-2883) to refer you to a 299er who could benefit by playing with you.



Valentine’s Day is coming – remember to love your partner.

