

KIBITZER



Louisiana Bridge Association -- December, 2009

Peggy Allen, Editor

President's Message

Happy Holidays to all! Be sure to read the posted information in the club about our Holiday parties, dates the club will be closed, Board candidates, and the upcoming January Tournament (January 7th-10th). Voting for new Board members will take place the week of January 4th and new members will be announced on Sunday the 10th.

Keenan Romig, President



Ed Baldinger

Ed Baldinger will attend his last Board meeting this month. I wanted to recognize him for all the work he has done for the club and, more importantly, how well he has done it. He has been on the Board for 13 years. He was President six and a half years, including the two and a half years right after Katrina. He has also been Treasurer and Vice-President and has done innumerable other things for the club.

Ed was an outstanding President, possessing wisdom, common sense, and business sense. After working with him the last seven years, I have come to appreciate how exceptional he is and how lucky we have been to have him running the club these many years. His advice and counsel during my two years as President were invaluable. Next time you see Ed, please tell him thanks.

Sid LeBlanc, Board Member and Past President



The Board of Directors wishes to thank retiring directors Ed Baldinger, Sid LeBlanc, and John Federico for their service to the club. Having served two consecutive terms, Ed and Sid must take a year off before they are eligible to run again. These two gentlemen were instrumental in the reconstruction of our club following Katrina and we owe them a great debt of gratitude.



Tournament Results

Lafayette Sectional October 23-25, 2009

Firsts:

Edmund Cappel: Fri Aft Open Pairs, Flight A.
William Beaushaw: Fri Aft 99er Pairs, Flights A & B.
Rosemary Austin & Carol Cocke: Fri Eve Open Swiss Teams, Flight C.

For complete tournament results, see:
<http://web2.acbl.org/tournaments/results/2009/10/0910141.htm>

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Mobile Sectional October 30-November 1, 2009

Firsts:

Lew Moore, Geoff Chichester, Brady Lotridge, & Leanne Lotridge: Sun Open Swiss Teams, Flight C.

For complete tournament results, see:
<http://web2.acbl.org/tournaments/results/2009/11/0911060.htm>

Dottie Toledano Sectional Metairie, LA November 5-8, 2009

Firsts:

Bob Bowers & Ellie Miller: Thu Aft Open Pairs, Flight A.
Richard & Ellie Brammell: Thu Aft Open Pairs, Flight B.
Betty Townsend & Carolyn York: Thu Aft Open Pairs, Flt C.
Carol Cocke & Linda Worley: Thu Aft 299er Pairs, Flight D.
Jane Meyer & Joy Eigher: Thu Aft 299er Pairs, Flts E & F.
Linda Stockton & Colleen Walker: Thu Eve Open Pairs, Flights A & B.
Di Lapeyre & Catherine McIver: Thu Eve Open Pairs, Flt C.
Doris Liukkonen & Nonie Leavitt: Fri Aft Open Pairs, Flt A.
Lynn Giordano & Juanita Heidingsfelder: Fri Aft Open Pairs, Flights B & C.
Orval & Janell Eberhart: Fri Aft 299er Pairs, Flights D & E.
Muffin Balart & Patricia Burke: Fri Aft 299er Pairs, Flight F.
Jean Jones & Linda Ash: Thu AM 0-20 Pairs, Flight G.
Toni Talbot & William Vollenweider: Thu AM 0-20 Pairs, Flight H.
Jean Talbot & Joan Van Geffen: Fri Eve Open Pairs, Flt A.
Ray Lytle & David Wolf: Fri Eve Open Pairs, Flight B.
Tchavdar Marinov & John Magyari: Fri Eve Open Pairs, Flight C.
John Smythe: Fri Eve 299er Pairs, Flights D & E.
Janet Patterson & Bonnie Nelson: Sat AM 299er Pairs, Flt D.
Linda Gallagher & Pris Daly: Sat AM 299er Pairs, Flight E.
Gloria McMurry & Gail Perry: Sat AM 299er Pairs, Flight F.
Sue Kachtik & Suzanne Cliffe: Sat AM Side Pairs, Flights A & B.

Ray Lytle & David Wolf: Sat Open Pairs, Flight B.
Richard Osborne & Stephen Heffner: Sat Open Pairs, Flt C.
Sylvia Kitziger & Debbie Rothschild: Sat Aft 299er Pairs, Flight D.
Edith Murphy & Roberta Hirsu: Sat Aft 299er Pairs, Flight E.
Juanita Heidingsfelder, Lynn Giordano, Ellie Brammell, & Dee Moses: Sun B/C Swiss, Flight B.
Paul Deal & James Bush: Sun A/X Swiss, Flight A.
Iype Koshy & Fred Woodruff: Sun A/X Swiss, Flight X

For complete tournament results, see:
<http://web2.acbl.org/tournaments/results/2009/11/0911039.htm>

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70% Games

- 10/25 Victor Law & Marvin Bernstein 71.35%
- 10/29 Bob Bowers & Ellie Miller 71.06%
- 11/05 Bob Bowers & Ellie Miller 70.64%
- 11/05 Jean Jones & Linda Ash 70.09%
- 11/12 Toni Talbott & William Vollenweider 71.25%
- 11/12 Edi Federoff & Shirley Quirk 70.00%
- 11/18 John Brumfield & Jean Talbot 71.15%
- 11/19 Iype Koshy & Russell Mitchell 70.00%

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.

[Ed: Oops! The Internet postings for club game results from November 1-4 fell into a black hole before I was able to check them. If you had a 70%+ game during those days, please leave a note in the *Kibitzer* envelope on the hall bulletin board and I will report it next month.]



Unit Masterpoint Milestones

NEW JUNIOR MASTERS

- Suzanne S. Caver
- Jean M. Jones
- James M. Kessler
- Fran M. Lake
- Sonny E. Lindsey
- Carolyn C. Moynan
- Jeanette Ploger
- Barbara S. Pyburn
- Jack J. Ryan

NEW CLUB MASTERS

- Sandra B. Brown
- Janell Eberhart
- Clayton B. Edison
- Jane G. Meyer
- Stephanie M. Musser
- Sandra E. Weber
- Barbara B. Zelenka

NEW SECTIONAL MASTERS

- Billie O. Sturrock
- Janeen S. Tucker
- Joan Vollenweider

NEW REGIONAL MASTERS

- Ronald E. Haag
- Vivian G. Hill

NEW LIFE MASTERS

- Geoff Chichester

NEW BRONZE LIFE MASTERS

- Peggy G. Allen
- Elizabeth Arthur
- Michael E. Arthur
- Juanita Heidingsfelder

Congratulations to these members upon their advancement in rank.



Welcome to These New Unit 134 Members

- Hunter E. Babin
- Odessa E. Burch
- Kathleen R. Gray
- Melinda W. Jones
- Joy A. Miller
- Anne W. White



Upcoming Special Events

- **Nighttime Christmas Party**, Sat. Dec. 5, time TBA; see sign-up sheet at club.
- **Baton Rouge Sectional**, 12/10-12/13*.
- **STAC Week**, 12/14-12/20, \$8.00 entry fee.
- **Daytime Christmas Party**, Fri. Dec. 18, time TBA.

*See www.acbl.org/play/tournaments.html for complete information about this event.



Tournament Results

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**Daytona Regional
November 2-8, 2009**

Firsts:

John Onstott: Tue Eve Swiss Teams, Flight A.

For complete tournament results, see: <http://web2.acbl.org/tournaments/results/2009/11/0911024.htm>

**Baton Rouge 299er Regional
November 12-15, 2009**

Firsts:

Joan Wood & Carolyn McKeough: Thu Aft Pairs, Flts B & C.
William Beaushaw: Fri AM Pairs, Flight C.
Paul Tucker, Orval Eberhart, Fred Kolb, & Patricia Turner: Sat Compact KO.

For complete tournament results, see: <http://web2.acbl.org/tournaments/results/2009/11/0911043.htm>



Know the Director's Rulings

Jennie Flynn Sauviac

Psyches (Part 2)

Another type of bid that is mislabeled as a psyche is the gambling bid. For example, when partner asks for control in a suit and the person accepts the invitation without the necessary stopper, that player has gambled. All players have held three small in a suit bid on your left and your partner has invited 3NT if you can stop the suit. Five of a minor would probably be risky, so you decide to shoot it out in 3NT! Or, partner invites a small slam with a bid of five of your trump suit asking for second round control of a suit in which you hold XXX. You could well go down in five, so you brazenly try the grand in hopes your expert opponent believes you and eschews the lead of that suit! These have worked and will work again.

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Wednesday Jackpot Report

As of Nov. 25, the Wednesday open game jackpot has grown to \$26.50. Come out and play on Wednesdays. Pay your quarter – and bid and make a grand slam – and the jackpot can be yours. The pot size for the week is posted in the hallway with the Wednesday scores.



New Games/Lessons Starting

Jane de Montluzin reports several new series of games and lessons starting next month:

A 0-299 game will be added on Tuesday mornings, starting January 5. There will be a mini-lesson before the game at 9:30, and the game will be finished by about 1:00 PM.

A new Easybridge course will start on Friday, Jan. 18. Each session will run from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, and will include a lesson followed by an opportunity to play for masterpoints.

A series of Wednesday afternoon single-topic workshops will begin early next year – see next month's *Kibitzer* for more information.



Next Month in the *Kibitzer*: Lillian Range and Tippi Ellis explain online bridge.

