

# KIBITZER



## Louisiana Bridge Association – August, 2011

Peggy Allen, Editor

### President's Message

Thanks to **Red Hailey** and **Ellie Brammell** for co-chairing the July tournament, and to **Ellen and Mike Lappa** for handling partnerships. They did a great job. Also thanks to **Mary LeBlanc** and **Suzanne Wooderson** for handling the hot dogs and chili for July 4<sup>th</sup> and to **Jackie Madden** who volunteered to handle partnerships for the November tournament. Finally, thanks to **Patti Harp** for ordering and replacing the batteries and pads for the defibrillator.

**Nancy Gates** has handled get well cards for years. Nancy finds she is told of fewer and fewer illnesses. If we are not going to cover most of our sick people, we should not send the cards. So we will discontinue sending cards from the club. I would encourage you to bring in a card and have it signed by club members if you are aware of someone who is sick.

ACBL rules require all players to have a convention card filled out. I notice many of our players do not. Please have at least one completely filled out card for each pair during a game.

*Sid LeBlanc*



### Tournament Results

#### Metairie LA Wes Busby Sectional July 7-10, 2011

##### Firsts:

*Sheryl & Trevor Thompson:* Thu AM 0-20 Pairs, Flight A.  
*S. Reese Koppel & Muffin Mahorner:* Thu AM 0-20 Pairs, Flight B.  
*B. B. Gordon & Joan Van Geffen:* Thu Aft Pairs, Flight A.  
*Louise Saik & Marilyn Downs-Seward:* Thu Aft Pairs, Flights B & C.  
*Nelson Daigle & Robert Pettit:* Thu Aft 299 Pairs, Flights D & E.  
*Alison Vitter & Anne White:* Thu Aft 299 Pairs, Flight F.  
*Jennie Sauviac & Tim Calamari:* Thu PM Pairs, Flight A.  
*Di Lapeyre & Catherine McIver:* Thu PM Pairs, Flts B & C.  
*Nelson Daigle & Robert Pettit:* Thu PM 299 Pairs, Flight D.  
*Tom & Betty Davidson:* Fri AM 0-20 Pairs, Flight A.  
*Patricia Kessler & Peggy Allen:* Fri Aft Pairs, Flights A & B.  
*Helen St. Romain & Fay Batt:* Fri Aft Pairs, Flight C (tie).  
*Lynn Giordano & Juanita Heidingsfelder:* Fri Aft Pairs, Flight C (tie).  
*Dianne Butler:* Fri Aft 299 Pairs, Flights D & E.  
*Peggy McCranie & Dale Strickland:* Fri Aft 299 Pairs, Flt F.  
*William Beaushaw & Madeline Tonti:* Fri PM Pairs, Flights A, B, & C.  
*Dee Moses & Juanita Heidingsfelder:* Sat AM Side Pairs, Flights A & B.  
*Mary Ann Chesson & John Petry:* Sat AM 299 Pairs, Flt D.  
*Judy Serou & Sharon Henry:* Sat AM 299 Pairs, Flight E.  
*Fran Lake & Patty Ungar:* Sat AM 299 Pairs, Flight F.  
*John Onstott:* Sat Open Pairs, Flight A.  
*Tippi Ellis & Ray Lytle:* Sat Open Pairs, Flight B.  
*Ralph Chesson & Jackie Madden:* Sat Open Pairs, Flight C.  
*Beverly Karl & Linda Fox:* Sat Aft Side Pairs, Flight A.  
*William Beaushaw & Madeline Tonti:* Sat Aft 299 Pairs, Flight D.  
*Rhonda & Ed McMullen:* Sat Aft 299 Pairs, Flight E.  
*Judy Serou & Sharon Henry:* Sat Aft 299 Pairs, Flight F.  
*John Onstott:* Sun A/X Swiss, Flight A.  
*Douglas De Montluzin, Jane De Montluzin, Lynn Giordano, & Bobbi Long:* Sun A/X Swiss, Flight X.  
*Vicki Willis, Susan Taylor, Wayne Weisler, & Sigurd Nordvoll:* Sun B/C/D Swiss, Flight B (tie).

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*J. F. Lowenstein, Eleanor Onstott, Dee Moses, & Juanita Heidingsfelder:* Sun B/C/D Swiss, Flight B (tie).  
*William Beaushaw, Patricia Turner, Fred Kolb, & Orval Eberhart:* Sun B/C/D Swiss, Flight C.

#### Baton Rouge LA Regional July 11-17, 2011

##### Firsts:

*Vicki Willis:* Mon Aft Side Pairs, Flight A.  
*Patricia Turner:* Mon Eve Side Series, Flight C.  
*Galen Beatty, Joan Rathe, Margaret Lipps, & Helen St. Romain:* Tue AM Side Swiss Flights B & C.  
*Barbara Zelenka & Loretta Mercola:* Tue AM 299 Pairs, Flight A.  
*John Onstott:* Mon-Tue KO, Bracket 1.  
*Dee Moses, Eleanor Onstott, Jerrilyn Stumpf, & Bobbie Gattuso:* Mon-Tue KO, Bracket 2.  
*Victor Law & Marvin Bernstein:* Wed AM Side Series, Flights A, B, & C.  
*Mike Lappa & Peggy McCranie:* Wed PM 299 Pairs, Flt B.  
*Karen Dugan & Peggy McCranie:* Thu AM 299 Pairs, Flt B.  
*Helen St. Romain & Margaret Lipps:* Thu AM Side Pairs, Flights B & C.  
*John Onstott:* Thu Aft Side Series, Flight A.  
*John Onstott:* Wed-Thu AM Compact KO, Flight A.  
*William Beaushaw, Madeline Tonti, Patricia Turner:* Wed-Thu KO, Bracket 3.  
*John Onstott:* Thu PM Side Swiss, Flight A.  
*Michael & Debra Falcon, Eleanor Onstott, J. F. Lowenstein:* Thu PM Side Swiss, Flight B.  
*Tim Calamari, Janet Patterson, Louis Richardson, & Bonnie Nelson:* Thu PM Side Swiss, Flight C.  
*Vicki Willis:* Thu PM Side Game, Flight A.  
*John Federico:* Fri AM Side Game, Flight A.  
*Larry Federico & John Federico:* Fri Aft Side Game, Flt A.  
*Kathleen Savino & Cathy Rantz:* Fri Open Pairs, Flight C.  
*John Federico, Idell Adams, & Larry Federico:* Fri PM BAM, Flight A.  
*David Wolf & James Thornton:* Sat AM Side Series, Flights A & B.

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## Tournament Results

### Baton Rouge LA Regional

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John Onstott: Sat AM Side Swiss, Flight A.  
 Jean Talbot & Joan Van Geffen: Fri-Sat AM Compact KO, Flight A.  
 John Onstott: Sat Aft Side Game, Flight A.  
 Margaret Ellis & Gloria McMurry: Sat Aft 299 Pairs, Flights A & B.  
 John Onstott: Afternoon Side Series. (tie)  
 Michael & Debra Falcon, Eleanor Onstott, J. F. Lowenstein: Fri-Sat Compact KO, Flight B.  
 James Bush & Iype Koshy: Sat A/X Open Pairs, Flight A.  
 Ed & Rhonda McMullen: Sat B/C Open Pairs, Flights B & C.  
 John Onstott: Sat PM Side Swiss, Flight A.  
 Tim Calamari, Louis Richardson, Carolyn York & Betty Townsend: Sat PM Side Swiss, Flight B.  
 John Onstott: Sun A/X Swiss, Flight A.  
 J. F. Lowenstein, Eleanor Onstott: Sun B/C/D Swiss, Flt B.



### 70% Games

06/21 Patty Turner & Madeline Tonti 70.08%  
 06/25 Joan Van Geffen & Jean Talbot 71.30%  
 06/28 David Woods & Stephen Kishner 70.83%  
 07/14 Ann Barone & Marlene Ruckert 71.76%  
 07/25 Jackie Madden & Mary LeBlanc 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.



### Welcome to These New Unit 134 Members

Jean S. Carter  
 Richrd N. Velleman



### Unit Masterpoint Milestones

#### NEW JUNIOR MASTERS

Terrence J. Marr  
 Frances L. Middleton  
 Libby Padwa  
 Jeannine R. Richardson  
 Katsumi Sohma  
 Joanna L. Suravitch

#### NEW CLUB MASTERS

Holly B. Adams  
 Mike Lappa  
 Barbara S. Pyburn  
 Dale C. Strickland  
 Robert J. Whann III

#### NEW SECTIONAL MASTERS

Marda F. Johnson

Congratulations to these Unit 134 members upon their advancement in rank.



### Upcoming Special Events

**\*\*Wednesday, August 3:** NAP Qualifying, 10:30, \$7 entry fee.  
**\*August 4-7:** Lake Charles Sectional.  
**Thursday, August 11:** Unit Club Championship, Noon, extra points, no extra fees.  
**\*\*Friday, August 12:** NAP Qualifying, Noon, \$7 entry fee.  
**August 15-21:** Club Championship Week, extra points, no extra fees.  
**\*\*Saturday, August 27:** NAP Qualifying, Noon, \$7 entry fee.  
 \*See [www.acbl.org/play/tournaments.html](http://www.acbl.org/play/tournaments.html) for complete information about upcoming tournaments.  
 \*\*See [www.acbl.org/play/special-events-info.php](http://www.acbl.org/play/special-events-info.php) for information about the North American Pairs (NAP) games.



## Know the Director's Rulings

Jennie Flynn Sauviac

### Law 32 Hesitations - REALLY!!

During the bridge auction you all certainly know that a break in tempo constitutes a bidding hesitation. Sometimes we have bidding choices, so we need time to make the right decision. This may influence our partner to search for the reason why we hesitated. Of course, they are guessing what our hesitation REALLY meant. In competition it may mean to double the opponents, or it could mean we wanted to bid our suit to a higher level. If our partner invites game, and we hesitate and then pass, it is REALLY obvious we had a borderline hand. If the opponents give partner another chance he may bid on knowing you did not have a clear pass. Our players should come to the club to play a friendly game. The less experienced players need time to think about their bid. A 299er said they play in the open game to learn from the advanced players and would like to feel safe and welcomed.

You all REALLY can offer your opponents a friendly game.



### Youth Bridge

We are trying to introduce bridge as an after-school activity in one or two schools. If you are interested in volunteering your time to assist, please contact Keenan Romig. Keenan can be reached at [keenanromig@bellsouth.net](mailto:keenanromig@bellsouth.net) or 834-6639.



### Wednesday Jackpot Report

On July 6, five pairs split the grand slam jackpot: Joan Van Geffen and Judy Katz, B. B. Gordon and J. F. Lowenstein, Peggy Allen and Jackie Madden, Mary Ann Chesson and Marilyn Downs-Seward, and Dot Babin and Helen St. Romain. For their efforts and daring, each pair split \$1.75!

On July 13, Judy Katz and J.F. Lowenstein bid and made seven spades to win the jackpot.

To win the jackpot you must: play in the Wednesday open game, pay 50 cents to be in the jackpot pool, and bid and make a grand slam.



### Bridge Acronyms of the Month

When Partner bids 4 NT asking for aces (or keycards), a pesky opponent sometimes interferes, bidding a suit or doubling 4 NT. How do you communicate your hand to your partner now? Some ways you can do this are acronyms under the "Slam Conventions" section of the convention card.

**DOPI – Double 0, Pass 1.** Double shows zero aces (or keycards) and Pass shows 1.

**DEPO – Double Even, Pass Odd.** Double with an even number of aces (or keycards); Pass with an odd number.

**ROPI – Redouble 0, Pass 1.** Similar to DOPI, but used if opponent doubles 4 NT.

Do not use these conventions without discussing with your partner first!

