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Louisiana Bridge Association – November, 2012

Peggy Allen, Editor

President's Message

We need someone in zip code 70002 to be a backup to **Ann Barone** for the alarm. The alarm company is asking for additional numbers to call if Ann is not at home. Please talk to Ann or me

Thanks to **Don Daigle** for refreshing his memory enough to be able to fill in as an emergency director a couple of Fridays. He was even able to use the Bridgemates rather than entering the scores manually.

Don't forget the Christmas boutique and silent auction at the Christmas party. See **Jackie Madden** about any donation of Christmas items, a bottle of wine, or anything else of interest.

Sid LeBlanc



Tournament Results

Alexandria LA Sectional September 28-30, 2012

Firsts:

Edmund Cappel: Fri Aft Pairs, Flight A.
Patricia Burke & Sandra Brown: Sat Aft 299 Pairs, Flights A & B (tie).

Metairie LA 299er Sectional October 5-7, 2012

Firsts:

Katherine Siebel & Ronald Haag: Fri AM Pairs, Flight A.
Ann Crane & G. Price Crane: Fri AM Pairs, Flight B.
Marian Bourgeois & Marcia Legendre: Fri AM Pairs, Flt C.
Alan & Linda Jacobs: Fri Aft Pairs, Flight A.
Ann Crane & G. Price Crane: Sat AM Pairs, Flight C.
Diane Butler & Barbara Pyburn: Sat Aft Pairs, Flights A, B, & C.
George Hill, Vivian Hill, Alan Goodman & Sherrie Goodman: Sun Swiss, Flights A & B.
Carolyn Trapp, Edward Trapp, Jeanette Hachtel & Fern Milstead: Sun Swiss, Flight C.

Gulfport MS Sectional October 19-21, 2012

Firsts:

Bob Bowers: Sat AM Pairs, Flight A.
Bob Bowers: Sat Aft Pairs, Flight A.
Beth Todd & James Thornton: Sat Aft Pairs, Flight B.
Christine Beesley: Sat Aft Pairs, Flight C.

Beaumont TX Regional October 15-21, 2012

Firsts:

Madeline Tonti: Mon PM Pairs, Flight B.
Susan Sommer, Jerrilyn Jones, Gussie Dunn & James Dunn: Wed-Thu KO, Bracket 3.
Edmund Cappel: Thu AX Pairs, Flight A.
Judy Serou & Maureen Richoux: Fri Aft 299 Pairs, Flight A.
Guss Ginsburg: Fri Side Swiss, Flight A.
Nelson Daigle, Sharon Henry, Debbie Rothschild: Fri-Sat Compact KO, Bracket 2.
Jeffrey Perigoni: Sunday Bracketed 5 Swiss.



Wednesday Jackpot Report

Dick & Eileen Bagnetto repeated their last month's win of the Wednesday grand slam jackpot. Also bidding and making a grand slam on October 17 were **Tony Benjamin & Doug de Montluzin** so the four shared a \$44 jackpot. – *Linda Freese, Director.*



Upcoming Special Events

November 5-11: Club Championship Week, extra points, no extra fee.

Tuesday, November 13: Unit Championship, 10:30 AM, extra points, no extra fee.

***November 15-18**: Metairie Dottie Toledano Sectional, LBA Clubhouse.

Monday, November 26: ACBL Charity Game, 7:15 PM, extra points, \$7.00 fee.

***November 22-December 2**: San Francisco CA Fall NABC.

Wednesday, December 5: Unit Championship, 10:30 AM, extra points, no extra fee.

***December 6-9**: Baton Rouge LA Sectional.

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



70% Games

- 10/06 Diane Butler & Barbara Pyburn 76.50%
- 10/10 Juanita Heidingsfelder & Jean Talbot 70.74%
- 10/22 Karen Dugan & Peggy McCranie 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.



299er Tournament Wrap-Up

Thanks to all who brought food for our October 299er tournament and especially to tournament committee members and helpers: **Audrey Cerise, Sheri Linzy, Jack Walker, Judy Serou, JoAnne Chancey, Denise Fuselier, Jim Kessler and Lilian Kirshbom.** Our next 299er tournament will take place on April 5-7, 2013.



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Welcome to These New Unit 134 Members

Jason R. Daming
 Alan Goodman
 Cammie K. Lewis
 Lowell Oswald
 Nancy K. Richardson
 David W. Roberts
 Janis K. Roberts
 Jonny Roberts
 Patricia M. Roberts
 Denise A. Schoen



Unit Masterpoint Milestones

NEW JUNIOR MASTERS

Richard G. Crane
 Sherrie B. Goodman
 Nancy K. Marks
 David A. Suravitch
 Elaine L. Vanderlinden

NEW CLUB MASTERS

Cathy P. Alford
 Margaret F. Cooney
 William P. Cousins
 Denise D. Fuselier
 Angie Krieger
 Libby Padwa
 Molly H. Silvia
 Richard N. Velleman
 Mercedes D. Wells

NEW NABC MASTER

Sharon F. Henry

NEW LIFE MASTER

Jean E. Faia

NEW BRONZE LIFE MASTERS

Jean E. Faia

Fred R. Kolb

NEW SILVER LIFE MASTERS

Elsie J. Czernia

Jane G. de Montluzin

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



In Memoriam
Timothy A. Calamari, Jr.
Walter G. Frey, Sr.



Know the Director's Rulings

Jennie Flynn Sauviac

When Is a Card Played?

A card is played. Should be simple to determine, shouldn't it? But the Laws recognize that determining when a card is played is not as simple as one might think. Different rules and standards apply to Declarer and to the the Defenders.

First, the Laws (Law 45) are clear on when a card must be played. For a Defender, a card is deemed to be played when it is held so that it is possible for his partner to see its face. It does not matter whether the partner did see the card; what matters is whether partner *could have seen* the card. In determining this, the Director upon arriving at the table will usually ask the partner to leave the table and ask the offender to reenact how the card was held. For the Declarer, a card is played if it is held

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face up, touching or nearly touching the table, or maintained in such position as to indicate that it has been played. One must remember, here, that just because one Defender can see a card that Declarer is about to play, it is not played until it is held in such a way as to meet the above criteria.

The Laws (Law 46) also address how to determine which card from Dummy has been played. First, Declarer will sometimes start to call one card and then change his mind. The Laws require that such a change must occur without pause for thought. In this area, the Laws are interpreted very strictly. Declarer cannot simply change his mind after calling a card. The Director will check very carefully to verify that the change in designation of a card occurred without pause for thought. Any doubt should see the Director rule against allowing Declarer to change from the card designated.

Other problems arise when Dummy's card is designated in an incomplete manner. If the Declarer in playing from Dummy says "high" without designating the exact card in the suit that he is playing, Declarer is deemed to have called for the highest card remaining in that suit in Dummy. Likewise, if Declarer calls "low", he is deemed to have called for the lowest card in the suit. Secondly, a Declarer will sometimes designate a suit without clearly designating the rank of the card desired from that suit. Words like "a Spade" do not specify which Spade. If more than one Spade is in Dummy, Declarer will be required to play the lowest card in the suit if he does not indicate the rank of the Spade he wants. Alternately, Declarers sometimes call for a card by rank, neglecting to name the suit. In such a case, Declarer must play a card from the suit of the previous trick. If Dummy has no card in that suit, then the card of that rank must be played from whatever suit in which a card of that rank exists. If two cards of the same rank reside in Dummy, then Declarer may designate which card is played. Finally, if Declarer says, "Play anything", then either Defender may designate which card is to be played from Dummy.



Happening Online This Month

November brings another NABC and with it, free online coverage of major sessions on BridgeBase Online ("BBO"). As of this writing, BBO will cover the Baze Senior Knockout Teams and the Reisinger Board-A-Match teams from November 25th to December 2nd. Because the NABC is held in San Francisco, most sessions will come to us at convenient evening times, but each day's final of the Baze teams will be at a time for "night owls" only. Check the BBO web site for exact dates and times: www.bridgebase.com; click on "Vugraph Schedule".



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.

