

Southern California Bridge News



*by Rand Pinsky
District Director*

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE



*by Bill Schreiber
ALACBU President*

Internet site for

District 23 Rank Changes 12/1/07-12/31/07

Peter Woodruff

Gerald David

Dennis Hollingworth

Jeanne Sherwin

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by Mike Marcucci District 23 NAOP Coordinator

Craig Sherwood

Steven Yaffe

Kibitz With Karraine: The 199er Report

A Bond For Valentine’s Day
By Karraine Murray

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Ventura Sectional

April 4 – 6, 2008

Friday, April 4

10 am & 2:30 pm
Compact KO Teams
Stratified Open Pairs
Single Sessions
(0-300, 300-1000, 1000+)

Saturday, April 5

10 am & 2:30 pm
Compact KO Teams
Stratified Open Pairs
Single Sessions
(0-300, 300-1000, 1000+)
Trophy Event Stratified
99ers Pairs

Sunday, April 6

10 am & TBA
Stratified Swiss Teams
Victory Points
7 rounds of 7 boards
\$95. per Team with Dinner
Stratified Open Pairs – 10am
(Dinner may be purchased)

Free Coffee & Snacks

Complimentary Lunch for players
playing 2 sessions in one day.
Non-Smoking/Courtesy Breaks

Fees: ACBL \$9 per session
non-ACBL \$10 per session

Director: Nancy Boyd **Partnerships:** Elinor Crawshaw (805)646-1964
Tournament Chair: Mary Anita Hill (805)985-4688 (rhandma@aol.com)

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“Come for the food, stay for the Bridge”



Jordan Chodorow

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Problem Solver's Panel

Our panelists are: Gerald Bare, Mark Bartusek, Mitch Dunitz, Jeff Goldsmith, Paul Ivaska, Jill Meyers, Michael Schreiber, Josh Sher, John Swanson and Bill Wickham

Moderator:
Marshall Miles

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Partner is in 3rd seat and RHO will have a chance to bid, but he will have to guess what to bid with no input from his partner. His most likely choices are 3NT and pass

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vul vs
nonvul

or getting too high with partner weak or a misfit for both majors]

NS vul
Board a
Match

EW vul
MPs

Around The Units in District 23

**Antelope Valley
Santa Clarita**
by Gin

Long Beach
www.acblunit557.org
www.longbeachbridge.com
by Christine Frumen

UNIT GAME:

DECEMBER UNIT GAME RESULTS:

NEW STATUS & NEW MEMBERS:

70+% GAMES through 1/13:

THIS MONTH AT THE CLUB:

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CONDOLENCES & GET WELL:

UNIT BOARD:

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NLM’s PLAY BRIDGE FOR FREE at UNIT GAMES:

Downey – Whittier
by Bernice Crelia

Glendale-Verdugo
by Dorothy LaMaie

Gold Life Master: Marty Blain
Sectional Master: Allan Palansky
and Maddy Schwartz
Junior Master: Chuck Sarture

THIS AND THAT:

70% games at the Bridge Academy
Leda Danzig & Susan Somogyi 71.88%
Merkie Rowan & Jerry Shapiro 71.58%
Ellen Anten & Steve Gross 70.99%
Marta Peltz & Andy Vinock 70.99
Ellen Anten & Steve Gross 70.63%
Susan Somogyi & Sy Zemlyn 70.08
Congratulations to all of you!

Palm Springs Regional
♣ is Gloria and Ron Malkin had a 71.42%
299er game,
Ellen Anten
and Steve Gross
Nance Lodge
Margy and David Sievers
Carol
and Norm Bloomfeld
Howard Kaufman and Donna Davidson

♦ and Armand and Glenna Szulc

Dave Lodge, Andy
Vinock, Bill Morton, Larry Gordon, Marty Blaine,
Susan Somogyi, Allan Bloom, Peggy Amato, Sue
Sarture, Carol Rand, Joan Farrar, Dick Wiggins, Dave
Posley, Joan Feldman, Janet Cooper, Marta Peltz,
Elaine and Jim Roth, Eileen and Nate Gittleman, Jan
Richter, and Terry Morton.

San Francisco National
Mike Fierman, Bill Ng, Andy
Vinock and Marjorie Michelin.

Torrance South Bay
<http://home.netcom.com/~asmager1/sdbchp.htm>
by Steve Mager

Pasadena
San Gabriel Valley
www.darbonne.com/bridge
by Jan Wickersham
and Roy Wilson

Pomona Covina
by Vic Sartor

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San Fernando Valley
by Jimmie Swan

Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 23, at
12:30p.m., the day of the Majorie Goldberg Memorial
Game, at the Bridge Academy.

Congratulations to those members who have
reached new levels!



District 22

District 22 presents
the 63rd Annual



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	<p>Visit us online at: PacificSouthwestRegional.com</p>	<p>Time & Room Changes</p> <p>Monday & Tuesday 2 sessions 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Sunday 2 sessions 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Senior Pairs every day Tuesday Saturday at 10:30 a.m. Knockout Swiss Teams across two mornings Wed. / Thur. & Fri. / Sat. Charity Pairs every day Tuesday Saturday 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Sunday Stratified Swiss Teams 2 sessions 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.</p>
	<p>Daily Knockout Teams</p> <p>Monday Kickoff Knockout continues Tues, Rounds 2-4 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Tuesday Wednesday Knockout Teams 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Thursday Knockout Teams 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Thursday Friday Knockout Teams 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Friday Saturday Knockout Teams 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Three Six Game Series</p> <p>Monday through Saturday 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Sunday 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Monday Charity Pairs single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Sunday 299or Swiss Teams 2 sessions 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.</p>
	<p>Open Pairs Games</p> <p>Monday Charity Pairs single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Tuesday Stratified Pairs 2 sessions 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Stratified Pairs 2 sessions 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Thursday Stratified Pairs 2 sessions 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Friday Stratified Pairs 2 sessions 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. Saturday Stratified Pairs 2 sessions 1:00 & 7:00 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Regular Daily Events



February Special Games

Sun.	1:00*	Open	Open Game w/ lots of goodies
Mon.	9:00	Open	Free Continental Breakfast
	9:30	Bridge Plus	
	12:30	Open	Free Lunch at Noon
	7:00	NLM	"After Game" ???'s for Director
Tues.	12:30	Open & 299er	Free Salad and Nachos
	4:15	Open	Free Dinner at 6 p.m.
Wed	12:30	Open	Free Lunch at Noon
	7:00	Open, 299er & Bridge Plus	Three <u>VERY</u> friendly games
Thurs.	12:30	Open & 49er	Free Chili during game
Fri	9:00*	Open	Free Continental Breakfast
	12:30	Open, NLM & 299er	Free Lunch
	4:15	Open	Free Dinner at 6 p.m.
Sat.	12:30	Open	Jackpot Game - Snacks
*NEW TIME			

Feb 2 - 12:30	International Under Game - \$9 Card Fees
Feb 3 - 9	Junior Fund Games - \$9 Card fees
Feb 10 1:00	Unit Game - <i>Potluck (bring your favorite dish)</i>
Feb 18 - 24	Week of STaC - \$9 Card Fees
Feb 18 7:00	Team Game - Sectionally Rated, \$9 Card Fees
Feb 25 9:00am	ACBL-Wide Senior Pairs, card fees \$9

Daylight Savings Starts



March Special Games

March 9	1:00	Unit Game
March 10	7:00	Team Game
March 18	12:30	Membership Game
March 18	4:15	Membership Game

Call ahead 562-498-8113 to reserve your table



Class Schedule

CLASS	DAY	TIMES	COST	STARTING
Begining Bridge	Mon.	7:00 - 9:00 pm	\$50 for 8 classes	March 3
Begining Bridge	Tues.	9:45 - 11:45 am	\$50 for 8 classes	March 4
Intermediate Bridge	Thurs.	9:00 - 11:00 am	\$50 for 8 classes	March 6
Supervised Play	Thurs.	9:30 - 11:30 am	\$4 per class	Ongoing
Conventions	Wed.	6:00 - 7:00 pm	\$3 per class	Ongoing

Super Heart Raise and Jump Shift Responses

by Mike Savage

In my dedicated partnerships we don’t play strong jump shifts. We play that over one of a major, jump-shifts in a lower suit are invitational and that all jump shifts to two of a major are weak. Thus 1H-2S is weak, 1m-2M is weak (all 2-level jump shifts into a major are weak) and 1H or 1S-three of a lower suit (1H-3C & 3D, 1S-3C, 3D, 3H) are all invitational bids (3-level jump shifts in a lower suit over a major are all invitational) – solving some 2/1 response problems.

I like this structure very much. It’s very easy to remember as well: *2-level JS in a major are weak and 3-level JS in a lower suit over a major are invitational*. The only exception to 3-level jump shifts being weak is that we also play that 1C-2D and 1D-3C (a minor opening) shows a limit raise or better in opener’s minor - so 1D-3C becomes the only 3-level jump in a lower suit that is not natural and invitational (it’s not a JS over a major after all). If you play this way, then you can also play (and I think it works fairly well) that 1H-1NT-2H-**2S** (the “Impossible” 2S) now can be used to show *either* a highly invitational heart raise **or a 2-suited minor take-out with invitational values**. Since we have an immediate jump shift over 1H for the invitational one-suited minor hands, we don’t need the 2S relay over 2H to show them and we can use 2S to show either a hand with two long, good minor suits with invitational values **or** a highly invitational heart raise!!!

What value is a super-good heart raise, you ask? Well sometimes partner has opened 1H with a six-card heart suit and a super-dog. Being able to show a very good heart raise by first bidding 2S and *then* 3H will allow opener to pass with a very weak opener and bid game with a sound opener. With an iffy invitation to 4H, responder can simply raise 2H to 3H and if he has a hand that even though he has only responded 1NT, he wants to be in 4H opposite *any* 1H opener with a six-card suit (very weak or not) he can jump straight to 4H.

So here is a reasonable basic response structure to handle both two-suited invitational minor hands and the highly invitational heart raise after 1H-1NT 2H:

1H-1NT 2H-**2S** = Shows an invitational hand with *two long minors* or a highly invitational heart raise.

Responses:

- 2NT** = Denies both a three or 4-card minor and a 0/1-looser heart suit.
- 3C** or **3D** = Shows responder’s best/longest minor and is usually passed.
- 3H** = Shows a very good heart raise, usually a 3-card forcing INT limit raise.
- 3C** or **3D** = Shows three or four cards in the minor and could be passed.
- 3H** = Shows the very good heart raise.
- 3H** = Shows a stand-alone six or 7-card heart suit and might hold a three-card minor.
- 3S** = Shows support for both minors and values for game in either minor or hearts.
- 3NT** = Shows a probably no-looser 6-7-card heart suit and *maybe* a spade honor.
- 4C** or **4D** = Shows a good fit for the minor and values for game in the minor or hearts.

Waddaya think? Sounds promising to me.

Our single jump-shift package seems like a good one: Weak major jump shifts at the two-level, invitational jump shifts in a lower suit at the 3-level after a major opener and it’s rounded out by our limit raise or better jump shifts in the other minor (1C-2D and 1D-3C).

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