

Tricks & Treats

For Members of the Columbia Bridge Club

The Birthday Party hosted by **Iona Hunter, Joyce Lauterbach** and **Betty Warren** featured chocolate cheese cake and overall winner from the C flight-**Katie Langston/Jo Westbury**.

Spotlight events for March is the ACBL-wide Charity Tuesday night the 11th. Duplicated boards, hand analysis sheets, worthy cause- You have play this event.

The West Columbia Sectional starts Thursday evening CBC club game (a Junior Fund game) March 20 at the TriCity Leisure Center. Note the game times are early starts and the Saturday 7 PM game is a Zip Swiss. No games at the club starting Thursday night.

It has been suggested and the suggestion has found a deal of support on the Board of the CBC, that the game times of the Open games be adjusted for the increased enjoyment of our members. The proposed game times would have the Tuesday / Thursday evening games start at 7:00 like the Monday and Wednesday night games and the Wednesday day game start at noon. We want you to have a good time. Please talk to your Board members about this idea. The Thursday afternoon game was approved to start at 12:30 as requested as soon as Carolyn feels like she can manage it.

Congratulations to **Harold Moore** who's Gentry entry tied 1st overall and was the top B qualifier in the GNT first round event on Feb. 1. **Lukasz Lebioda/Hap Neuffer/John Mac Gregor/ Brian Lipscomb** (tied 1st overall) came from behind on the last round to beat out (tied 3-4) **Lauterbachs/Webbs** and **Levys/Hack/ Hollingsworth** as the top A qualifier. Top C qualifier was **Rick & Mary Giles/ Ed Scheiblich/Linda York**.

Congratulations to our newest Gold Life Master, **DaMaris Rorie**. Came through in December-2500 points. Way to Go, DaMaris.

Fun (and not so much fun) with overcalls. First a sequence that cost partner and I first overall in a STaC heat. Dealer opened 1 Heart and I overcalled 2 Clubs. Opponents wound up in 3 Hearts. I lead the 4 of Clubs and declarer calls for the 10 from dummy's Q 10 tight. Partner thinks a long time before making the mistake of ducking with Kxx. The only holding where that wins is where declarer holds the stiff ace. Would I overcall Jack, 9 seventh? Sure, but not at the two level-I would at the three level warning partner the suit is bad. **And** I would not lead the 4 but a high spot denying top honors in the suit. Two clubs has to be a good suit-(I hold the Ace, Jack 9 sixth, I admit, not great.) I did underlead an Ace and partner should realize that. The 2 level overcall has to be at least lead directive and it can't be that if my top card in the suit is a Jack. **Next, an apology** to the partners of some of the worst offenders against the principle of sound direct overcalls. I've been bidding NT over their overcalls whether I had a stopper or not. You haven't been leading their suit-not once. You *know* what they're like-Queen empty fifth? Jack Fifth? Ten? Even overcalling 2C with King, Jack fourth and no other points? (Honest-this actually happened) I got very, very tired of it. If you don't lead their suit when they overcall, they really can't blame you for thinking I'm ready for that, but I might be open someplace else. Even if you have an Ax or AQx in their suit. You don't look bad-they do. Remember they owe me for all those bad overcalls that worked. Some have not taken it well, but I have a philosophy.* An overcall has more than one function: it's an attempt to play the contract, but it also should help steer the defense. If it doesn't do that, it isn't an effective bid (especially if you steer the defense wrong).

*Don't gloat, just smile, they know what happened. If they get derogatory, don't argue with them. I remember this from a sports accountant, Chuck Taylor, that I knew back in Cedar Falls: "Woudda, shoulda coulda-they didn't. Let the losers yap; we got money to count."

Grand National Team Qualifying-(A, B, C) will be held in Columbia, at the club, on Saturday, March 15 Starting time is 10:00 and second session TBA. Bring a sandwich and we will have soda, coffee, snacks and desert. We will have someone to take deli orders. Good luck everyone!

The CBC had bookend winners in the Unit STaC just completed. The curious thing was, these winners won playing at out-of-town clubs. Monday evening, **Mary Townhill** was first overall playing in Batesburg. She beat out **Jeff Thomas/Francis Lawton** who finished 2nd overall and **Hap Neuffer/John Mac Gregor** who finished 4th overall, both pairs playing here in Columbia. Sunday, **Jimmy Blackwell/Greg Mackey** won the event while playing at the Myrtle Beach Club.

Congratulations to these winners

<u>Birthday party Jr. Fund 2/8</u>	<u>Jr. Fund 2/5 Open</u>	<u>Jr. fund 2/6 Open</u>
1) Katie Langston/Jo Westbury	1) Hap Neuffer/Alice Moore	1) Ellie Hack/Marika Hallosy
2) Fran Jenkins/Velma Lamp	2) Jeff Thomas/Jimmy Blackwell	2) Bea Nelson/Bill Fogleman
3) Fred Chisolm/Ellie Hack	3) Katie Langston/Jo Westbury	3) B Schneider/C Anderson
<u>Jr. Fund 0-1000 2/4</u>	<u>Jr. Fund 0-1000 2/3</u>	<u>Jr. Fund Open 2/4</u>
1) Bill Fogleman/Jean Mason	1) Mary Smith/Rosa Shaw	1) Hap Neuffer/Lukasz Lebioda
2) Everett & Shirley Ness	2) Bill Fogleman/Henry Momand	2) Mary Townhill/J MacGregor
3) Wendy Carlson/Marianne Murphy	3) Irma Murray/Madalyne Dybvik	3) Ellie Hack/Pat Webb
<u>Club Championship 0-300 1/30</u>	<u>Jr. Fund 0-300 2/12</u>	<u>Jr. Fund 0-300 2/13</u>
1) Bob and Maria Davis	1) Bob and Maria Davis	1) Ken Metz/Francis Kovach
2) Cathy Steinaker/Brent Holcomb	2) Bruce Holland/Bea Hordych	2) Bea Hordych/Dode DeFiori
3) Mary Townhill/Benetha Henry	3) Jim Hutchinson/Ray Weed	3) Bruce & Tootsie Holland
<u>STaC 2/10</u>	<u>Stac 2/11 aft.</u>	<u>Stac 2/11 Eve</u>
1) Jeff Thomas/Fran Lawton	1) Marion Spagnola/Mary Smith	1) Gwen Beckman/H Moore
2) Hap Neuffer/John Mac Gregor	2) Flora Shealey/Hap Neuffer	2) Dot Cole/Abdul Ghaffar
3) Jimmy Blackwell/Greg Mackey	3) Wendy Carlson/Marianne Murphy	3) J Blackwell/Jeff Thomas
<u>STaC 2/12 AM</u>	<u>STaC 2/13 Evening</u>	<u>STaC 2/15 Aft.</u>
1) Ellie Hack/Joel Levy	1) Tom Balcerek/Abdul Ghaffar	1) Mark & Susanne McLaughlin
2) C Anderson/G Beckman	2) Pat Lauterbach/Jeff Thomas	2) Rick & Mary Giles
3) Damaris Rorie/Jimmy Blackwell	3) Harold Moore/Butch Maybin	3) Marlise Overby/Brian Lipscomb
<u>Jr. Fund Open 2/18</u>	<u>Jr. Fund Open 2/19</u>	<u>Jr. Fund Open Eve 2/20</u>
1) Ellie Hack/Pat Webb	1) Velma Lamp/Betty Luther	1) Bill Fogleman/Jean Mason
2) Tom Balcerek/Nate Fain	2) Pat Lauterbach/Bill Fogleman	2) Hap Neuffer/Lukasz Lebioda
3) Butch Maybin/Velma Lamp	3) Bea Nelson/Marika Hallosy	3) Pat Lauterbach/Ellie Hack

June 2002/May 2003 Club Points Races


<u>Sol Lourie Unlimited</u>	<u>Henry Mills 0-LM</u>	<u>Coleman Farrell 0-50</u>
Brian Lipscomb 115.74	Everett Ness 44.39	Brent Holcomb 23.85
Hap Neuffer 109.36	Arnold Levinson 39.04	David West 13.85
Pat Lauterbach 76.51	Thomas Overby 36.93	Elaine Wade 11.86
Ken Fasching 73.06	Frances Lawton 36.00	Leck Mason 10.09
Marika Hallosy 61.03	Mary Townhill 30.14	Francis Kovach 9.53
Ellie Hack 59.01	Bernetha Henry 28.88	James Hutchinson 9.13
Bea Nelson 58.62	Dode DeFiori 28.20	Leonard Bifano 8.45
Alice Moore 55.66	Betty Warren 26.54	Jane Temple 8.16
DaMaris Rorie 54.44	Bea Hordych 25.96	Patricia Roach 7.98
Joyce Lauterbach 52.44	Brent Holcomb 23.85	Terry Moore 7.89

"I hear, yet say not much, yet hear the more." Henry IV Act IV

"I love your silence. It shows off the more your wonder." Midwinter Tale (Act V I think)

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						 1 1 PM Open ACBL Charity Birthday Party
2	3 7 PM 0-1000	4 Noon 0-1000 7:30 Open	5 10 AM Club Championship 7 PM 0-300	6 12:30 Charity Club Championship 7:30 Open	7	8 1 PM Open Game
9	10 7 PM 0-1000	11 Noon 0-1000 7:30 OPEN ACBL wide Charity	12 10 AM Open 7 PM 0-300	13 12:30 0-300 7:30 Club Championship	14	15 GNT Teams 2 sessions 10 AM and TBA NO Pair Game
16	17 7 PM 0-1000 Charity Club Championship	18 Noon Club Championship 7:30 Open	19 10 AM Unit Pairs 7 PM 0-300	20 12:30 0-300 7:30 Open	21 NO GAME West Columbia Sectional	22 NO GAME West Columbia Sectional
23 NO GAME West Columbia Sectional	24 7 PM 0-1000	25 Noon 0-1000 7:30 Club Championship	26 10 AM Open 7 PM 0-300	27 12:30 0-300 7:30 Open	28	29 1 PM Open Pairs
30	31 7 PM 0-1000					

February

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April

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