## **Tricks & Treats**

## For Members of the Columbia Bridge Club

The big events of 2006 will continue this year on Monday January 30. District 7 will be participating in a new STaC event. We will hold OPEN sessions on Monday night, both Tuesday sessions, Wednesday morning, both Thursday sessions and on Saturday Feb. 4 which will also be our Birthday party. Cost per session will be \$11/pair except Friday afternoon. Friday afternoon will be 0-750 only and \$8/pair.

It's that time of year again!! We are looking for a nominating committee to search out candidates for our club Board of Directors. If you would like to serve on this committee or want to stick...er, know someone who might be good at this, put a name in the suggestion box on the table near the kitchen.

GNT qualifying was a great event. The undefeated team of Chris Webb, Jeff Thomas, Alice Moore and John Mac Gregor took the top spot. The senior Webbs came in second just nipping the top C team captained by Pat Austin. Many thanks to Dodi DeFiori for help making the event run very smoothly.

roms awarded are half Rlack/half Dad	Wins	Victory Points
1AB) Chris Webb/Jeff Thomas/Alice Moore/John Mac Gregor (5.50 pts)	6.5	104
2A) Bob Webb/Pat Webb/George Nichols/Joyce Lauterbach (4.13)	5.0	95
1C2B3A) Pat Austin/Terry Moore/Brent Holcomb/David Bykowski (3.32)	4.0	90
4) Henry Momand/Sig Friedman/Marianne Murphy/Rosa Shaw (2.49)	4.0	76
5) Mary Townhill/Jan Ripley/Sandra Geis/Bernetha Henry (1.87)	4.0	74

Our birthday party with genial hosts Ed Scheiblich, Linda York and Jean Mason featured a 12 ½ table Club Championship and some *really* good cake. From the second break after round 9, the contenders started to fall away until Rick Giles and Henry Momand stood alone at the top after round 13.

N/S	Club Championship	E/W	
<ol> <li>Rick Giles/Henry Momand</li> <li>Butch Maybin/Harold Moore</li> <li>Ken Fasching/Brian Lipscomb</li> <li>Ginny Robertson/Frazer McCr</li> <li>Fred Chisholm/Ellie Hack</li> </ol>	189.95 169.23 167.86	1) Martin Johnson/Jim Blackwell 2) Dot Cole/Joan O'Steen 3) Lil Hopkins/Carolyn Floyd 4) Bob Webb/Jeff Thomas 5) George Nichols/Mary Townhill	176.39 172.94 165.90 159.54 155.46

Congratulations to our own Bob Hampton who won the Sectional Master mini-McKenny race for 2005. Bob came in with a total of 790 Master Points for the year.

Congratulations to Joyce Hampton, Ed Scheiblich and Linda York who all made Life Master on the end of the year. Ed and Linda also became Bronze Life Masters, Joyce won 291 points in 2005.

Welcome Jr. Master Sue Harrington.

Congratulations to new Club Master Don Dial, Sectional Master Veronica Ramseur, NABC Masters Brent Holcomb, Cathy Steinaker and Elaine Wade.

Brian Lipscomb now at 667-9084. Be sure to add new numbers to your phone lists!!

Sincere thanks to **Dodi DeFiori** who gave me a large amount of help in the club's first Friday afternoon game. Food and caddying... what would I have done without you?

Everyone notice how great our bulletin boards look? That is thanks to Frances Lawton and Karen Coulter who wore out their pin-pushing thumbs getting them to look that way. Very imaginative.

The Tri-City games on Sundays 1:30 will be at the Leisure Center instead of the CBC club. Starting Jan. 8.

Our 0-500 Game on Wednesday nights has been moved to a side-by-side event with the Thursday Open game. Effective January 25.

OK, you're told to think about the bidding and play and remember them as the hand plays out to help formulate the best plan to make the contract. So you say, "Give me an example." Here's a hand from round 5 of a recent Swiss team. I'm facing a partner with almost 3000 points and both opponents have a little over 3000. Each team has a 3000 plus/less than 500 pair at the other table. I pick up third hand:

My hand S-Q,3 H-7,6 D-A,K,J,4 C-A,10, 7,6,4

Pass, Pass to me-I open 1 Diamond (Open 1 club and your rebid gets awkward if partner responds 1 Spade)

LHO passes and partner bids 1 Heart. Pass by RHO and I rebid 1NT. (That Q 3 is a stopper-anyone with

AK fifth or longer will under lead trying to set up his long suit. Or it might block-pard may even have Jack
third. (Kx?) LHO passes and Partner raises to 2NT (Good 10-11? Bad 12?) So it comes back to me-I like
my chances and bid 3 NT. The opening lead is Spade 6-this could get ugly quickly-let's see what I bought:

Partner tables S-A,7,4,2 H K,Q 5,3 D-7,3 C J,9,3

My 'soft" queen of Spades was protected and that Jack nine of Clubs is just huge. Bidding 1NT 'right-sides" the contract. I'll duck the spade expecting to lose. That 6 and a view of the dummy told everyone spades are 4-4-3-2. Since I didn't get a club lead (on the bidding I expect a black card lead-I think my LHO would have lead a club if he had either both club honors or neither) I think they are split. If RHO switches to a diamond, I'll bet he doesn't have the Diamond queen or the ace of hearts-but if he leads a Heart back to the board's KQ53-I'll bet on Ace and at least either Jack or ten of hearts 4<sup>th</sup> in his hand. RHO wins the Spade King on trick one and returns a diamond-confirming the club honors split. I win, play a heart to the king, winning-and it turns out pretty much as I expected, making 4. At the other table it was 1C-1H-2C-3C-P.(Open diamonds if you're 5-4 in the minors) (use rule of 11 on the opening lead) (What about suits not lead-why not?) Against opponents opening 'better minor' the other minor is often a good lead. Playing time was maybe one minute after I looked over dummy-have a plan at trick one and don't give them time to think. Don't stop unless something happens that shows your plan won't work.

Club Champ 0-1000 12/20	0-1000 Charity 1/10	Club Champ 0-500 1/12		
1) Brent Holcomb/Elaine Wade	1) Henry Momand/Bob Hampton	1) M. Morales/Cathy Steinacker		
2) Karen Coulter/James Chianelli	2) Mary Nichols/Ann Phillips	2) Carol and Fred Clemenz		
3) Frances Lawton/Mary Nichols	3) Henriette Morris/Bob Pierce	3) Bea Hordych/Henrietta Cashwell		
Club Champ Open 1/16	Club Champ 0-750 1/20	Club Champ 0-50 1/20		
1) Joyce Hampton/Lukasz Lebioda	1) Jan Ripley/Mary Nichols	1) E. and Terry Winter		
2) Ken Fasching/Sue Harrington	2) Brent Holcomb/Sylvia White	2) Mary Jo Norton/Barbara Norton		
3) Frances Lawton/Jeff Thomas	3) Len Bifano/Jim Chianelli	3) Cynthia Cone/Irene Dunham		
Unit Game 1) Hap Neuffer/Ellen Oliver 2) Karen Coulter/Frazer McCrory 3) Bernetha Henry/John Memory				

Centurion Cup: 1) Jan Ripley (21.99) 2) David Bykowski (14.29) 3) Sue Harrington (10.10) 4) Ginny Chianelli (8.59) 5) Margarita Morales (8.55) 6) Fay Levinson (7.75) 7) George Delay (7.44) 8) Sam Robison (5.30) 9) Lib Odom (5.28) 10) Teri Kuhs (5.13)

Sol Lourie Ope	n	Henry Mills	0-2000	Coleman Farre	ll 0-Lifemaster
Brian Lipscomb	69.34	<b>Butch Maybin</b>	52.73	Arnold Levinson	42.75
Ken Fasching	64.40	Alice Moore	49.13	Brent Holcomb	40.69
Ellie Hack	63.30	Arnold Levinson	42.75	Bernetha Henry	38.46
Hap Neuffer	60.08	Brent Holcomb	40.69	Jack Wilkinson	33.59
Butch Maybin	52.73	Bernetha Henry	38.46	Everett Ness	28.10
Alice Moore	49.13	Harold Moore	37.88	Joan O'Steen	22.79
Bob Webb	49.10	Rosa Shaw	36.08	Sylvia White	22.33
Pat Webb	48.59	Lil Hopkins	36.04	Jan Ripley	21.99
Pat Lauterbach	47.81	Jack Wilkinson	33.59	Jim Chianelli	20.81
Joyce Lauterback	h 45.96	John Memory	29.70	Francis Kovach	19.63

<sup>&</sup>quot;A successful man is one who can lay a firm foundation with the bricks others have thrown at him"

David Brinkly

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	Noon 0-1000 pairs Easy Bridge 7 PM	Noon 0-1000 Jr Fund 7 PM Easy Bridge	14 Noon 0-1000 Pairs Easy Bridge 7 PM	7 Noon 0-1000 Pairs Jr Fund Easy Bridge 7 PM	Tuesday
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January M T W T F S 2 3 4 5 6 7 9 10 11 12 13 14 16 17 18 19 20 21 23 24 25 26 27 28 30 31	23 12:30 0-500 Jr. Fund 7 PM Open Jr. Fund	16 12:30 0-500 Jr. Fund 7 PM Open Pairs	9 12:30 0-500 Pair 7 PM Open Pair Jr. Fund	Thursday  2 12:30 Open STaC  7 PM Open STaC	
March S. M. T. W. T. F. S. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.	24 12:30 0-750 Jr Fund 0-50 Jr. Fund	17 12:30 0-750 and 0-50 Jr. Fund	10 12:30 0-750 and 0-50 Pairs	3 12:30 STaC 0-750 0-50	
	25 1 PM Open Jr. Fund	18 1 Pm Open Pair Jr. Fund	11 1 PM Open Pairs	Saturday  4 1:00 Birthday Party!! Open STaC	

Play the STaC Jan 30-Feb 5