



# Jacksonville School of Bridge

Northeast Florida's premiere bridge club experience



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## Rank Achievements

<b>Diane Burch</b>	Junior Master	<b>Martin Alpert</b>	Regional Master	<b>Greg Euston</b>	Life Master
<b>Robin Leventhal</b>	Junior Master	<b>John Orren</b>	NABC Master	<b>Pat Bayer</b>	Bronze Life Master
<b>Judy Staver</b>	Club Master	<b>Suzanne Garrard</b>	Adv NABC Master	<b>Ralph Croskey</b>	Silver Life Master
<b>Joy White</b>	Sectional Master	<b>Dane Margol</b>	Adv NABC Master	<b>Keith White</b>	Sapphire Life Master

Note: Rank Achievements are posted here when published in *Sunshine Bridge News*

## Master Point Race as of August 31, 2016

Flight A		Flight B		Flight C	
<b>Alan Stout</b>	226.49	<b>Michael Smalline</b>	102.14	<b>Buck Plaster</b>	22.23
<b>Craig Hemphill</b>	173.84	<b>Dan Jacobs</b>	69.65	<b>Judy Miller</b>	22.12
<b>Nancy Mitchell</b>	121.96	<b>Jan Madsen</b>	65.23	<b>Christine &amp; William Bennett</b>	21.67
Non-Life Master					
<b>Mark Franzoni</b>	70.45	<b>Hop Hartmann</b>	47.47	<b>Ann Buchholz</b>	47.12

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of **John Rush** who passed away in July.

Our thoughts and prayers are with **Miffy Calhoun** who lost her husband in August.

## Election of new board members and annual meeting: Thursday, October 13, 2016

Slate of Nominees: **Marie Greenstein Michael Smalline and Nancy Whitmire, Jeri Hogan, Jeanne Harlan, Lelsey Lowry, Dane Margol, Michele Raueber**. Nominations will be taken from the floor. Six will be elected to serve on the Board Jan. 1, 2017 – Dec. 31, 2018.

**Thank you, Trella Bromley**, for past service as Wednesday partnership chair. **Thank you, Marie Greenstein, (904-220-8844)** for serving as Wednesday partnership chair as of October 1.

**Thank you, Trella Bromley**, who will be Tournament Chair in 2017. **Thank you, Michele Raueber**, for your many years as Tournament Chair.

## Welcome, new members:

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**Name Tags:** Trella Bromley is placing a group order for bridge badges (you know, those cool magnetic name tags that people sport at games and tournaments). They're a great way to help you make new friends and identify new partners! The form will be available at the club or email Trella at [trella@mac.com](mailto:trella@mac.com) and she will send the form to you. Completed orders with checks are due at the club by November 24th so that they can be back in time for the holiday party. There will be only one order this year so don't be late.

**The Ambassador for Bridge** program is designed to recognize members who put forth extra effort to help JSOB become a pleasant place to play our wonderful game and provide leadership to help the club grow. Our first two Ambassadors are:

- **Craig Hemphill:** Craig has served on the JSOB Board and was a driving force to make the Jacksonville Regional a success. He is always available to answer bridge questions. His willingness to mentor and share is also exhibited by his handouts and his "Bridge Tip of the Week". His friendliness and humor at the table are appreciated by all.
- **Nancy Stein:** Nancy has served as JSOB President since 2014. She is the driving force behind the many improvements to our playing facility. Her support and follow-up of many educational programs are bringing in new players, and she promotes and attends club events. Her leadership challenges us to grow and to be a better bridge club.

Nancy and Craig are friendly, supportive, caring, innovative and truly interested in making JSOB a premier bridge club. Congratulations! And thank you for all your contributions.

**From the Directors' Desk:** It has been brought to my attention that a new player (new to bridge and to our club) has had two experiences at our club that were described as "most unpleasant". Unless a new player asks for your analysis of a hand, PLEASE REFRAIN FROM ANY DISCUSSION AT THE TABLE!! Even if you are addressing your partner, statements such as: "If she hadn't led that Ace I never could have made the overtrick" or "They are in a ridiculous contract, this is a good board for us" or "All she had to do was ruff that club before drawing trump" are completely inappropriate. They smack of gloating and they are heard as insulting and belittling to the opponent. Just remember the days when you were first learning the game and recall how intimidating the established pairs could be. The ripple effect of this behavior is that this new player is now telling all of her friends how unpleasant this club is and none of them will now be playing here. Directors will be on the alert to nip this kind of exchange in the bud, but we can use help from everyone.

**A Great Idea:** With so many new players at our club and names to remember, why not attach your name tag to your convention card holder so it's easier to remember to wear it?

**Alan Stout's 2/1 Words of Wisdom:**

Is a 2/1 game completely different than Standard American style? **NO!!!!** Although you may drive down a different path, at the critical point in the auction, they both must make the right bid! This takes **JUDGEMENT**. Good judgement is what we strive for. No system or convention can replace it!!

**Upcoming Events:**

**Thurs. Oct 13**

**Fri. Oct 14**

**Tues. Oct 18**

**Fri Oct 21-Sun Oct 23**

**Sat Oct 29**

**Tues. Nov 15**

**Fri. Dec 16**

**General Meeting and Board Election**

**Instant Match Point Game**

**Tacos & Teams**

**Jacksonville Sectional**

**Mentor-Mentee Game & Luncheon**

**Tacos & Teams**

**Holiday Party, 199er & Open Games**

Thank you, **Judy Miller**, for proofreading this issue and correcting my many errors.