

I was pleasantly surprised to open my junk mail and find out I had earned the status of sectional master. I earned this status sooner than I expected. "Though the Covid 19 pandemic took away in person games for much of the past 18 months, I'm happy that we have been able to play virtually and still earn points." I achieved section master because I have been able to be persistent in my play. For me competitive bridge is a lifestyle. It is like going to college and never earning a degree, but I was encouraged when I read AARP's article about playing bridge keeping you sharp long after retirement. I look forward to reaching my next status sooner. I have a consistent partner who loves to play speedball every night at 10:00 p.m. We are so consistent that our friends know not to disturb us because that time slot is only for bridge. I plan to keep studying and attending classes so I can reach my next goal. I plan to be more consistent in playing bridge according to some common rules that vary and seldom waiver. I believe this will help me improve my game. I encourage you to study, play at your club, and play in tournaments consistently if you can. You will achieve your goal in no time.