

THE KIBITZER

SEPTEMBER 1998

NOTES FROM THE UNIT BOARD

by Keith Falkenberg

It seems like old news already as we have already had 3 unit board meetings since the annual meeting in early May, but the new officers and functions of the unit board are as follows:

President - Keith Falkenberg
Vice-president and Special Events - Dave Horton
Secretary and Memberships - Joan Garland
Treasurer - Dave Christison
Tournaments - Joy Saville
Club Liaison and Assistant for Tournaments - Greg Bedard
Future Masters - Maggie Rogers
Caddy Master - Bruce Mottle

In addition, the following individuals, though not on the Unit Board, have graciously continued to volunteer their time:

Recorder - Gordon Campbell
Kibitzer - Dan Bertrand

We are looking for a volunteer to serve as a standing chair of the Unit's Conduct and Ethics Committee. Help is always appreciated for a variety of jobs from helping with novice development, phoning, tournament setup and takedown, etc. Please feel free to phone any of the Board members if you can spare some time.

Plans for the next year include an investigation of fundraising possibilities including the possible setup of a society entity for the Unit. We are looking at ideas for new player development including teaching programs and Future Masters tournaments and events. The Board is also exploring some ideas for promoting duplicate bridge in general in Calgary and area and in particular, for publicizing our tournaments.

One issue which will have to be considered this year is whether the Calgary Unit should adopt a "zero tolerance" policy for its sectional tournaments. Zero tolerance is now in effect at the NABC's and it has been adopted as official policy at upcoming District 18 Regionals. Units in District 18 have been urged to consider adopting this policy. I would be interested in hearing your views on this matter and urge you to talk to me or any of the Unit Board members.

I hope to see you all at the Fall Sectional on September 11-13 and the Banff Sectional on November 6-8. We look forward to good turnouts and lots of fun!

MEMBERSHIP DESK

by Joan Garland

Welcome to the following new ACBL Members:

Gordon Baker, Marcel Claeys, Alfred Czengery, Chris Czerwinski, Ruth Duplisea, Barry Pashak, Tom Taylor, Pat Ternan, Audrey Clark, Tom Crites, Don Dumka, Bev Ellefson, Joan Finlay, Don Gellatly, Steven Gilroy, Linda Harrison, Jeanette Kish, CF Ko, Shelley Kohut, Donald and Sandra McCleary, Sherman Ng, Barrie Pomerance, and Xiaodong Qiao.

Welcome to the following Players who transferred into our unit:

Vivian Campbell, Elizabeth Graham, Bernie Lambert, Fred Struve, Hussein Dada, Steve Geczy, Tina Gokturk, Christine and Harvey Jim, Sandra Porter, Doug Steil, Angela Underwood, Anton Usselman, and Irene Wilson.

Congratulations to the following members who have achieved new status:

JUNIOR MASTERS:

Peggy Clark, Bob Crawford, Barb Crookshank, Carmen Gallent, Terrie Matz, Donna Stanley, Diane Thompson, Patricia Young, Perry Clark, Robert Dow, Ruth Duplisea, Sherman Ng, Ken Powell, Xiaodong Qiao, Ann Soloman, and Tom Taylor.

NEW CLUB MASTERS:

Marcel Claeys, Grant Lee, Barry Pashak, Mary Royal, Bill Taylor, Henry Van Veen, Alice Whitty, Jim Wilson, Mavis Baker, Virginia Clark, Willa Dumka, Diane Eason, Donna Gellatly, Jean-Paul Guillemin, Trevor Haight, Phil Phillips, Eileen Platz, Anne Primeau, and Anne Stang.

NEW SECTIONAL MASTERS:

Eileen Bailles, Ross Bennet, Joan Cooke, Doreen Flynn, Sandra Fraser, Patricia Roberts, Hazel Skelton, Mary Wilson, Eleanor and Gordon Houston, and Victor Shymanski.

NEW REGIONAL MASTERS:

Carol Cassidy, Joan Dupuis, Mickey Hawrelak, Ron Pritchard, Laurel Chrumka, John Ferguson, Berny Kahanoff, Vince Lacoste, Donna McElroy, Barney and Geraldine Paterson, and Devinder Sood.

NEW NABC MASTERS:

Rod Ward, Don Cooke, John Ferguson, Annabelle Gurevitch, Betty Machacek, and Garth Wiggins.

NEW LIFE MASTERS:

Shirley Klassen, Vince Machacek, and Elaine Winter.

NEW BRONZE LIFE MASTERS:

Perry Chan, Audrey Degner, and Winnifred Dolsen.

NEW SILVER LIFE MASTERS:

Gary Lietz, Martin McDonald, Keith Moores, and Beverley Pyper.

And finally NEW GOLD LIFE MASTER:

Dann Kramer.

SPRING SECTIONAL RESULTS

OPEN PAIRS

STRATIFIED IMP PAIRS

- Flight A:** 1 Alex Knox - Lois Dunsmore
2 Paul Graham - Fran Walton
3 Jean Kittlitz - Ray Kittlitz
- Flight B:** 1 Roy Kinnear - Devinder Sood
2 Rod Hilderman - Bruce Mottle
3 Vince Machacek - Hugh Dinzey
- Flight C:** 1 Vince Machacek - Hugh Dinzey
2 Rod Ward - John Ferguson
3 Ron Pritchard - Peter Bradbury

FRIDAY STRATIFIED PAIRS

- Flight A:** 1 Garry Lietz - Bev Pyper
2 John Lang - Don Gladman
3/4 Kiz Fung - Lorna McDonald
3/4 Vince Lambert - Anita Lambert
- Flight B:** 1 Gamil Tadros - Fran Tadros
2 Donna McElroy - Inez Watt
3 Bruce Mottle - Stephanie McAdam
- Flight C:** 1 Donna McElroy - Inez Watt
2 Rick Stevens - Jnan Sarkar
3 Sharon Crowle - Mickey Hawrelak

SATURDAY STRATIFLIGHTED PAIRS

- Flight A:** 1 Stephanie McAdam - Rod Hilderman
2 Judith Gartaganis - Nicholas Gartaganis
3 John Lang - Sam Majumdar
- Flight B:** 1 Jim Broadbent - Dick Yuen
2 Ken Dishaw - Rich Kerr

99'ER PAIRS

FRIDAY AFTERNOON PAIRS

- Flight A:** 1 Diane Thompson - Pat Purvis
2 Alan Hinch - Marion Hinch
3 Barney Paterson - Gerry Paterson
- Flight B:** 1 Diane Thompson - Pat Purvis
2 Alan Hinch - Marion Hinch
3 Marcel Claeys - Keith Shaw

FRIDAY EVENING PAIRS

- Flight A:** 1 Mies Jacobson - Barry Pashak
2/4 Barney Paterson - Gerry Paterson
2/4 Victor Shymanski - Lore Shymanski
2/4 Barry Robey - Barb Kryski
- Flight B:** 1 Mies Jacobson - Barry Pashak
2 Jean-Paul Guillemain - Rose Shano

SATURDAY AFTERNOON PAIRS

- Flight A:** 1 Charles Wehnes - Jacob Piera
2 Barney Paterson - Gerry Paterson
3 Jim Jardine - Isobel Jardine
- Flight B:** 1 Charles Wehnes - Jacob Piera
2 Anne Primeau - Diane Eason
3 Marge McNevin - Marj Allen
- Flight C:** 1 Charles Wehnes - Jacob Piera
2 Marge McNevin - Marj Allen
3 Allan Hinch - Marion Hinch

SATURDAY EVENING PAIRS

- Flight A:** 1 Norman Dodd - Jim Wilson
2 Hazel Skelton - Donna Gellatly

3 Wilf Lynk - Sherman Ng

Flight C: 1 Jim Broadbent - Dick Yuen
2 Ken Dishaw - Rich Kerr
3 Wilf Lynk - Sherman Ng

STRATIFIED SWISS TEAMS

Flight A: 1 Judith Gartaganis - Nick Gartaganis
Gordon Campbell - Peter Jones
2 Dave Horton - Brenda Bertrand
Dan Bertrand - Gord Sharp
3/4 Rod Hilderman - Keith Falkenberg
Stephanie McAdam - Chris Wuerscher
3/4 Rodney McKnight - Fran Walton
Paul Graham - Terri Pollard
Dave Adelman

Flight B: 1 Rod Hilderman - Keith Falkenberg
Stephanie McAdam - Chris Wuerscher
2 Jim Broadbent - Dick Yuen
Marlene Lenstra - Laurel Chrumka
3/5 John Ferguson - Doug Holder
Ed Brougham - Garth Wiggins
3/5 Jeff Robertson - Rosella Ellis
Ken Baher - Elaine Winter
3/5 Diane Clements - Bob Clements
Mike Guy - Gloria Guy - Clyde Archer

Flight C: 1 Jim Broadbent - Dick Yuen
Marlene Lenstra - Laurel Chrumka
2 Vince Lacoste - Ron Pritchard
Sharon Crowle - Mickey Hawrelak

3 Marcel Claeys - Ross Bennett

Flight B: 1 Kay Grove - Margaret Bartley
2 Marj Allen - Marge McNevin
3/4 Pat Purvis - Diane Thompson
3/4 Leslie Holmes - Jean Seaver

SATURDAY EVENING PAIRS

Flight C: 1 Marj Allen - Marge McNevin
2 Leslie Holmes - Jean Seaver
3 Robert Dow - Perry Clark

SUNDAY AFTERNOON TEAMS

Flight A: 1 Gordon Houston - Eleanor Houston
Willa Dumka - Anne Stang
2 Shelley Mardiros - Michael Shuster
Carole Kirk - Joan Dupuis
3 Barney Paterson - Gerry Paterson
Alice Whitty - Joan Garland

Flight B: 1 Gordon Houston - Eleanor Houston
Willa Dumka - Anne Stang

SUNDAY EVENING TEAMS

Flight A: 1 Helen Klassen - Marj Laing
Henry Van Veen - Virginia Van Veen
2 Marcel Claeys - Ross Bennett
Jim Wilson - Norman Dodd

Flight B: 1/2 Donna Gellatly - Diane Eason
Tom Eason - Don Gellatly
1/2 Gordon Houston - Eleanor Houston
Willa Dumka - Anne Stang

PRESIDENT'S TROPHY

1/2	Gerry Paterson	4.63	6	Hazel Skelton	3.35	10/11	Willa Dumka	2.72
1/2	Barney Paterson	4.63	7	Marcel Claeys	2.97	12/13	Eleanor Houston	2.65
3/4	Norman Dodd	3.89	8/9	Diane Thompson	2.78	12/13	Gordon Houston	2.65
3/4	Jim Wilson	3.89	8/9	Pat Purvis	2.78	14	Kay Grove	2.55
5	Donna Gellatly	3.74	10/11	Anne Stang	2.72	15	Margaret Bartley	2.44

CANADIAN NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulation to Nicholas Gartaganis, Judy Gartaganis, Gordon Campbell, Peter Jones, John Duquette, and Keith Balcombe who played very well at the CNTC. They finished second in the round robin and then reached the final after beating the first seed. But they were not able to cross the last obstacle.

RED DEER REGIONAL

OPEN

99'ER

1	Lee Barton	Edmonton	99.36	1/2	Evelyn Sisonenko	Saskatoon	12.15
2	Lucille Barton	Edmonton	98.17	1/2	Michael Gadd	Saskatoon	12.15
3	Hendrik Sharples	Portland	88.07	3/4	Marjorie Laing	Calgary	12.09
4	Bruce Ferguson	Boise	84.48	3/4	Helen Klassen	Calgary	12.09
5	Brenda Keller	Boise	84.18	5/7	Vivian Phillips	Saskatoon	7.93
6	Lorna Deschner	Red Deer	75.01	5/7	David Nash	Edmonton	7.93
7	Gerry Marshall	Calgary	73.93	5/7	Harold Jones	Saskatoon	7.93

Congratulation to Lee Barton who wins the Hattie Joffe trophy.

DISTRICT 18 GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS

Calgary did very well in Great Falls. We won everything (almost). The Submaster Flight was won by Barney Paterson, Geraldine Paterson, Eleanor Houston, and Gordon Houston. Flight C winners were Sheldon Spier, Ron Pritchard, John Ferguson, and Rodney Ward. Garry Lietz, Beverley Pyper, Russ Peterson, Keith Moores, Dinesh Agrawal, and Raj Agrawal captured Flight B. Peter Jones from Edmonton helped Nick Gartaganis, Judy Gartaganis, and Gordon Campbell to claim Flight A. Congratulation to all!

NEWS FROM THE CLUBS

Martinique Bridge Club

Week of September 14 - 19	Club Championship Week. All games are club championships.
Tue Sept 15 7:30	IMP League starts. Contact Martinique if interested.
Thur Sept 17 7:30	ACBL Instant Matchpoint Game
Sun Sept 27 12:00	North American Open Pairs Unit Final
Mon Sept 28 7:30	Charity Game
Week of November 9 - 14	Club Championship Week. All games are club championships.
Mon Nov 23 7:30	ACBL-Wide Charity Game

Some new games will be added to the schedule:

Wednesday	12:30	Ladies Pairs
Wednesday	12:30	199er Pairs (Starting Sept 16 th)
Friday	7:30	Non-LifeMaster Pairs (Starting Sept 18 th)

Bow River Bridge Club

As of September 15th, the Bow River Bridge Club will be located at the Capitol Hill Community Centre: 1531 21 Avenue Northwest. (Located between 14th and 15th street). The phone number is still 289-7677.

Three new games will be added to the schedule:

Tuesday	7:15	Novice Pairs (0-20 points)
Thursday	7:15	Stratified Open Pairs
Saturday	1:00	Stratified Open Pairs
		Novice Pairs (0-20 points)

Week of November 16-22: Club Championship Week. All games are club championships.

STANDING ON THE PRECIPICE

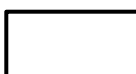
by Nicholas Gartaganis

In bridge, it is an accepted truth that when a partnership bids too much, failure is inevitable unless declarer plays the hand with such skill that all bad bids are forgiven. On the hand below, you reach Five Hearts after your non-vulnerable right hand opponent opens One spade and there is a preemptive raise by LHO to Three Spades. The lead is the Two of Spades.

Contract: 5 Hearts
Lead: 2 of Spades
Auction: Optimistic

NORTH

♠ T43
♥ 98542
♦ 542
♣ Q2



SOUTH

♠ J
♥ AKJT3
♦ AKT9
♣ AJ9

With a normal 2-1 break in the trump suit, the hand has the potential for twelve tricks. Just pull two rounds of trumps, cross to the dummy with a third round of trumps and lead the Queen of Clubs. Assuming the King of Clubs is on your right, twelve tricks come home any time the Club Ten starts out doubleton (with the King or not) or the QJ of Diamonds are doubleton.

The play proceeds. RHO wins the King of Spades at trick one and leads the Ace of Spades. You ruff and lead the Ace of Hearts. To your dismay, LHO discards a small Spade! Just moments ago twelve tricks seemed possible and now your five level contract looks to be in dire jeopardy. What are your options?

Obviously, if the QJ of Diamonds are doubleton any line of play rates to succeed. You know the Queen of trumps is onside and the King of Clubs rates to be onside as well. The key is to force an entry to dummy, either in Clubs to take the trump finesse or in trumps to take the Club finesse. But what if the QJ of Diamonds are not doubleton? You need to be able to get rid of one of dummy's Diamonds to make your contract.

Option #1 is to lead a Club towards the Queen. If LHO has the King, the Queen of Clubs will become an entry to finesse against the trump Queen and the Ace of Clubs will take care of one of dummy's diamonds.

Option #2 is to lead the Jack of Hearts at trick three and let RHO win a trump trick. Ruff the expected Spade return (or win a Diamond return) and use a small Heart to simultaneously pull the last trump and enter dummy. Now lead the Queen of Clubs for the finesse. This line wins when the King of Clubs is onside and the Ten of Clubs is doubleton. But did you remember to ruff the second spade with the J or T of Hearts??

Fortunately, there is a much better line of play than either of these options. ***Lead the Jack of Clubs from your hand at trick three.***

You do not care who has the King of Clubs—eleven tricks are almost guaranteed! If either opponent wins the King of Clubs, the Queen of Clubs becomes an entry to take the known trump finesse and the Ace of Clubs lets you discard dummy's third Diamond. If the Jack of Clubs wins, ruff the third round of Clubs in dummy and take the trump finesse—you can afford to lose a Diamond trick! There's just one small glitch. If RHO holds Kx of Clubs and is good enough to refuse to win the Jack of Clubs, you will fail to make Five Hearts. When you try to ruff the third round of Clubs, RHO will overruff and you will still have a Diamond to lose. Should this happen, you will have learned a valuable lesson — play in an easier game or don't overbid against strong opposition!

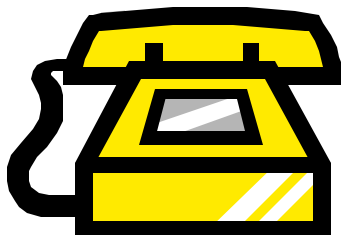
ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

At a recent out of town tournament, a couple of Singles were introduced at the Membership Desk. Sparks soon began to fly on and off the bridge table. After a successful evening session, as the entwined pair were walking back to his hotel room they heard a loud "ALERT". When she asked for an explanation His Ex Wife said: "It could be short".



FUTURE MASTERS TOURNAMENTS

There will be two Future Masters Tournaments in the next few months. One will be during Thanksgiving and the other one in the Spring. Please contact Joy Saville, the Bow River Bridge Club, or the Martinique Bridge Club for more information.



ACE OF CLUBS STANDINGS

MINI-MCKENNEY STANDINGS

PHONE LIST

The new phone list will be available soon. You will be able to pick it up from one of the main clubs and at the September Sectional. Or, if you prefer you can phone Keith Falkenberg at 275-8274 and have it mailed to you.

Rookie of the Year

Barry Pashak.....	14.14	Barry Pashak	27.05
Sherman Ng	10.05	Xiaodong Qiao	11.90
Thomas Taylor	5.89	Sherman Ng.....	11.83

Junior Master of the Year

Virginia Clarke	13.97	Marcel Claeys	15.72
Marcel Claeys	9.04	Virginia Clarke	13.97
Patricia Young.....	6.62	Jim Wilson	12.23

Club Master of the Year

Donna Gellatly.....	12.84	Gordon Houston.....	23.33
Jean-Paul Guillemin.....	9.62	Eleanor Houston	23.08
Anne Stang.....	8.98	Donna Gellatly	20.30

Sectional Master of the Year

Peter Bradbury.....	25.18	Ron Pritchard.....	56.12
Hazel Skelton.....	21.34	Barney Paterson.....	44.03
Barney Paterson.....	19.83	Geraldine Paterson.....	42.80

Regional Master of the Year

Tanja Hurlbert	28.42	John Ferguson.....	56.42
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Jnan Sarkar	27.54	Rod Ward.....	45.87
Terri Pollard.....	26.93	Tanja Hurlbert.....	41.44

NABC Master of the Year

Lorraine Birnie.....	18.88	Keith Moores	43.63
Elizabeth Richardson.....	17.08	Elaine Winter	31.70
Edna Olson	16.18	Shirley Klassen.....	24.89

Life Master of the Year

Percy Schacter	25.25	Dave Horton.....	61.23
Winnifred Dolsen.....	17.63	Ken Baher	48.89
Rosella Ellis	16.73	Raj Agrawal.....	42.17

Bronze Life Master of the Year

Steve Bates	29.13	Martin McDonald	73.05
Martin McDonald.....	25.68	Stephanie McAdam.....	56.12
Edward Brougham.....	24.11	Fred Struve.....	51.03

Silver Life Master of the Year

Gladys Minor	33.68	Paul Graham	159.99
Elaine Stewart	27.46	Francesca Walton.....	150.86
Juanita Cutmore.....	25.97	Steve Lawrence	80.77

Gold Life Master of the Year

John Lang.....	28.98	Gerry Marshall.....	125.63
Helen Roche.....	24.74	Nick Gartaganis	121.19
Don Gladman.....	10.57	Judy Gartaganis	95.06

BEST WISHES

Best Wishes to Joan Garland and Dann Kramer who have been injured in recent accidents. Dann was involved in a car crash. After several months, we are pleased to report that he is on the road to recovery. Joan fell from a bleacher at Spruce Meadows. She is recovering from her injuries. We wish them the best.

TEWARICK

by Rick Tewari

There were two elephants
 Harry and Simone,
 Played bridge together
 and always won.
 I saw their system
 watched them play,
 Found nothing unusual
 which I can say.
 Curiosity killed the cat;
 was killing me too,
 I called them again and
 begged for a clue.

Harry shrugged
but Simone did tell,
“We hold long ‘trunk’ and sniff very well”

SPECIAL EVENTS

by Dave Horton

North American Open Pair qualifiers have been held at the clubs over the summer. The Unit final will be held on September 27th at the Martinique Bridge Club. The top half of each field (A, B, and C) will qualify for the District Final to be held on October 31st in Great Falls, Montana. The top two pairs of each flight in the District Final will be reimbursed for air fare and accommodation for the Spring National in Vancouver. If you qualified for the Unit Final, I hope to see you there.

Canadian National Teams qualifying will occur soon. The Zone Final will be held in Calgary next spring. This is a great opportunity to play against some of the better teams in Western Canada, and since the Zone Final will be in Calgary, we should get an additional team allotment. Get your team together and check with your clubs for club qualifiers.

DAVE SUTHERLAND LIBRARY

by Dave Horton

The Unit has also opened the Dave Sutherland Collection. This is a collection of bridge books available for loan to all Unit members on a one month basis. The library is located at the Martinique Bridge Studio, and administered by Unit Board members. If you are interested in borrowing a book, call one of the Board members to find out when they will be at the club. The Martinique Bridge Studio was kind enough to donate the space for the Library, but does not administer it.

CALGARY FALL SECTIONAL

**Location: Polish Canadian Cultural Centre
3015 15th Street NE**

Open Events

Friday, September 11th, 1998

1:30 PM: Stratified IMP Pairs
8:00 PM: Stratified Pairs

Saturday, September 12th, 1998

1:00 PM: Stratiflighted Open Pairs
(1st session of playthrough)
A: Unlimited (Stand Alone)
B: 300 to 500 (Stratified)
C: 0 to 300 (Stratified)

Future Masters Events

Friday, September 11th, 1998

1:30 PM: Future Master Stratified
Pairs
8:00 PM: Future Master Stratified

Pairs

Saturday, September 12th, 1998

1:00 PM: Future Master Stratified
Pairs

7:30 PM: Stratiflighted Open Pairs
(2nd session of playthrough)

7:30 PM: Future Master Stratified

**NOTE: SINGLE SESSION PLAYERS ARE
WELCOMED FOR EITHER SESSION**

Sunday, September 13th, 1998

Sunday, September 13th, 1998
Anne Waldie Memorial Trophy

10:30 AM: Stratified 99ers Swiss Teams
TBA: Stratified 99ers Swiss Teams

10:30 AM: Stratified Swiss Teams
(1st Session)
TBA: Stratified Swiss Teams
(2nd Session)

Stratified Events: A: 50 - 100
 B: 20 - 50
 C: 0 - 20

Flighting for Friday & Sunday Games
A: 750⁺ B: 300-750 C: 0-300

All Future Masters Events are Single Session

No Smoking in the Playing Area
Breaks Will Be Provided

NEXT SECTIONAL: Banff Classic November 6 - 8, 1998

If you have any comment (good or bad) about the Kibitzer, please contact the editor, Dan Bertrand (203-0581) or any member of the Unit Board.