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Player Profile – Lynne Schaeffer

I have played bridge on and off for more than 50 years. Like many others, I learned the game young, took time off to rear children and pursue a career, and then resumed playing later in life. Unlike many others, I spent more than 20 years partnering with a bridge professional. That is Marty Hirschman, whom I first met at my local bridge club in the Detroit suburb of Southfield, Michigan.

I grew up in Detroit, with parents who were avid bridge players. When I became engaged to my first husband they taught us both to play, and just days after honeymooning in Bermuda, I joined my dad at a regional tournament in the Poconos where we won a mixed-pairs event. I was 19.

I continued to play steadily until my early 30s, when I returned to school for a Ph.D., began a 32-year career teaching American literature at Marygrove College in Detroit – where I ultimately headed the department – and brought up two daughters along the way. In 1992, having been away from the table for

19 years, I ran into an old friend who informed me that he and his wife now owned a bridge club in the neighborhood and suggested that I stop by. That was all it took: I began playing regularly and a few years later started the partnership with Marty.

Partnering with a bridge professional was an extraordinary experience. Even in the beginning I never felt intimidated, perhaps because I had known players of Marty's caliber from my earliest days in this game. At age 18, I met Charles Goren and Helen Sobel when I accompanied my parents to nationals, and at one event was lucky enough to partner for a session with Edith Kemp. I also thrive in a competitive environment. Despite a recent affinity for the couch – I love binge-watching shows like Breaking Bad, The Fall, 24, a few others – in my youth I was very athletic, excelling in field hockey and varsity basketball at the private girls' school I attended. The mental control I learned on the field and the court has served me well at the table.

There was one downside to playing with a partner as brilliant as Marty, and it came when we did especially well, such as winning a sectional or regional title (we did pick up about 80 of them). People would ask, "Who won?" and people would answer: "Marty." Never "Marty and Lynne," just "Marty."

As much as I enjoyed playing with Marty and others at the Southfield club, and as much as I still enjoyed teaching – as a part-time adjunct professor after retiring in 2006 – when my (second) husband died, in 2015, I was ready for a change. One of my daughters, in Portland since 2004, had been pressing me to move here, and I had resisted until I met up with Chris Wiegand at a nationals event. She later connected me with Connie Marfell and a few other Portland players, and I decided then that my daughter was right. It took me a little over a year to finally make the move, but after saying goodbye to my students and many longtime friends, I arrived in Portland this past April. I began partnering with Connie and with other terrific players like Dan Hoekstra, Don Lowry, and Jon Bartlett, and have had a wonderful time playing at the Portland Bridge Club and the Ace.

I must confess, however, that I miss working. I miss the structure, the camaraderie, and the feeling of being needed, corny as that may sound. So I have submitted applications for part-time jobs ranging from bank teller at Chase to furniture stocker at Pier 1. Now, my inbox fills up daily with ads for training programs in driving a delivery truck, that sort of thing, though no job offers as of yet. I will just have to be patient.

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FROM THE EDITOR



I celebrated July 4th differently this year, visiting Mexico City with a friend who was born there but who had been away for so long that she enjoyed trekking the tourist trail as much as I did. One venue new to us both was the Amigos Bridge Club, where I was luckily able to arrange a last-

minute game that day with Berthe Betech de Duek, a club regular but someone I had never met before. While my friend kibitzed, Berthe and managed to finish

first in our direction, a shock to me until I learned after the fact that she had some 4,000 masterpoints to her name.

Another plus: At the table I met an opponent by the



name of Matilde Zeidenweber, who informed me

that she would soon be visiting her son in Portland and could we get together? We could, and we did, partnering for games at the Mirabella and the Ace,



having a delightful time, and looking forward to another game when she is back this way in the fall.

While traveling, I also enjoyed some bridge in my home state of Texas. Heading to Dallas for my return flight, I stopped off for a game at the Sul Ross Bridge Club in Waco, where

I encountered some of the friendliest players around.

I love learning in this game, and unlike most lessons, this one was painless: bridge and travel make an excellent combination.

Pictured: the author, at Amigos with partner and with club owners Reiko Ohara and Jorge Rosen, and at Sul Ross with owner Ila Bates and partner Joan Cation. Matilde, at Mirabella with director Chris Wiegand.

Maria Marian

FROM YOUR UNIT BOARD

At our Jun. 22 meeting, we were pleased to announce Deanne Takasumi, as a new two-year term voting member of the board, and Kathi Marcus, as our new treasurer (see more, page 3). We also announced new board assignments: Nancy Swanson as secretary and Jan Clemmons as hospitality co-chair.

We received widely positive reviews for our sectionals at Montgomery Park, with the one challenge being Friday parking. We all need to do a better job of arranging carpools, taking public transit, and figuring out ahead of time where to find the best on-street parking. We also agreed to send future sectional profits of up to \$900 to the clubs. Our next meeting is Thu. Aug. 24, 3:00 p.m., at the Ace of Clubs. Everyone is invited and questions and feedback are welcomed.

COMING EVENTS

Jul. 31 – Aug. 6: Emerald Empire Regional, Valley River Inn, Eugene Aug. 18-20: Vancouver Summer Sectional, Washington School for the Deaf Aug. 22-27: Great Western Summer STaC VIII, all area clubs Aug. 25-27: High Desert Sectional, Bend Senior Center, Bend Sep. 8-10: Portland Fall Sectional, Montgomery Park



Fourteen tables of players gathered at the Ace of Clubs Jun. 16 to celebrate the club's 40th year in business and to play some cards, feast on a catered meal, and dig into cake and ice cream. Among the celebrants were (top row) Jim Wheeler, Ethel Birnbach, Veronica Reeves, Staci Christian, Irene Pickett, Don Tofte, and *Lisa Huston* and (bottom row) Frank Nemeth, Martha Maroney, Sam Asai, Steve Moody, Drew Link, and Sandy Hedlund.



A native Oregonian with a master's degree in civil engineering from the University of Washington, *new board member Deanne Takasumi* worked as a geotechnical engineer for CH2M HILL until she retired in 2015. She began bridge in grade school but started playing seriously only about five years ago, when she signed up for Flo Savage's class at the Ace.

With a major in business education and a minor in accounting from the University of Oregon, *new treasurer Kathi Marcus* has long worked in financial services, including as general manager of and financial advisor to the Sunset Athletic Club. An avid racquetball player, Kathi once competed at the tournament level but now practices the sport only for exercise. Her current passion is duplicate bridge, which she began playing in 2010.

Soon-to-be snowbird *Judy Kay* leaves in August for Fort Myers, Florida, where she will spend winters from now on. Fortunately for us, her daughter remains in Oregon, so Judy will return for the summer months each year. "I love Oregon and the friends I have made in my 20 years here, so I will look forward to seeing you every summer. If you are ever in southwest Florida, please let me know at my (same) phone 503-502-9503 or (new) email, Judykayfl@gmail.com. Best wishes to all!"



Eugene Sectional Jun 2-4, 2017

Friday Afternoon 199er Pairs 3 Michael & Judy Stoner

Saturday Morning Open Pairs 1 Mike & Kathy Hansen 3 Amy Casanova, Meg Myers

Saturday Afternoon Open Pairs 3 Don Lowry, Hal Montgomery

Sunday Swiss Teams 2 Connie Coquillette, Ric Soohoo, Lisa Fishman, Bob Johnson

Top Local Masterpoint Winners

13.88 Mike Hansen6.40 Bob Johnson13.88 Kathy Hansen6.40 Ric Soohoo6.69 Meg Myers6.40 Lisa Fishman6.69 Amy Casanova6.40 Connie Coquillette

Portland Spring Sectional June 9-11, 2017

Friday Morning Open Pairs

Laurie Rowe, Jon Bartlett
 Ron Frazier, Bob Law
 Ric Soohoo, Stan Sather
 Kent Livingston, Inez Weiss
 Bill Russell, Larry Liewer

Friday Morning 0-500 NLM Pairs

Stu Director, Nely Johnson
 Diane Mackenzie, Deanne Takasumi
 Louis Lee, David Weil

Friday Morning 0-100 NLM Pairs 1 Kathleen Hart, Fran Henry-Jansa 2 Peter Suriano, Zach Collins 3 Judy Brown, Elizabeth Scully

Friday Afternoon Open Pairs 1 Jon Bartlett, Nancy Jonske 2 Linda Wiener, Dave Brower 3 Mark Smith, Rich Carle B1 Joan Borberg, Ginny Gainer

Friday Afternoon 0-500 NLM Pairs 1 Barbara Beale, Salena Johnson 2 Linda & Richard Rountree 3 Sally Miller, Joanne Ruyle

Friday Afternoon 0-100 NLM Pairs 1 Ed & Chris Trachtenbarg 2 Judy Brown, Elizabeth Scully 3 Fran Henry-Jansa, Mark Jansa

Saturday Open Pairs

Laurie Rowe, Jon Bartlett
 John Ashton, Dennis Metcalf
 Amy Casanova, Paul Wrigley
 Steve & Linda Tubbs
 Roger Thomas, Jon Gassaway

Saturday Morning 0-500 NLM Pairs

1 Basil & Maria Hakki 2 Frank Nemeth, Martha Maroney 3 Joann Szeimies, Bev Walters

Saturday Morning 0-100 NLM Pairs

1 Claire Doherty, Marylyn Russell

2 Patricia Shaddix, Karen McCarthy 3 Tammy & Lonnie Barron

Saturday Afternoon 0-500 NLM Pairs

1 Carol Hardwick, Ann Teal 2 Frank Nemeth, Martha Maroney

Saturday Afternoon 0-100 NLM Pairs

1 Carol Macleod, Virginia Griffiths 2 Jeffrey Foote, Peter Suriano

Sunday A/X Swiss Teams

Jon Bartlett, Raj Garg, Hal Montgomery, Bruce Cuthbertson
 Joel Datloff, Roger McNay, Dawn Campbell
 Don Lowry, Dan Hoekstra, Lynne Schaeffer, Connie Marfell
 X1 Don Tofte, Ed Lee, Kent Huang, Lisa Fishman

Bracket B-1

1 Gene Hval, Margi Redden, Winston Falls, Lynda Hirst 2 Joseph Coulter, Rosalyn Borys, William Strite, Kay Pankratz

3 Fred & Kathryn Sutherland, Joan Borberg, Ginny Gainer

Bracket B-2

Ronnie Conour, Dalice Bromfeld, Ram Kashyap, Bernie Widolff
 Kimberly Dauphin, Nancy Cole, Angel Almanza, Darrell Graham
 Lilla Wallace, Lisa Korick, John Dunn, Janice Smith

Bracket B-3

1 Don Kirkpatrick, Randy Dietrich, Don McConnell, Charles Guse 2 Roger Thomas, Jon Gassaway, Beverly Walker, Ben Levy 3 John Dove, Guher Erbil, Dan Edelstein, Andrew Nuxoll

Bracket B-4

1 Sally Miller, Fran Henry-Jansa, Kathleen Hart, Deanne Takasumi 2 George O'Leary, James Unterspan, Patricia Jones, Susy Wagner

Pictured this page – Portland Spring Sectional: (left column) Molly Harris, Joe Habeich, Deborah Lackey, (right column) Rich Carle, Barbara Pyles, Dan Hoekstra, Connie Marfell, Salena Johnson.

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Top Local Masterpoint Winners

62.35 Jon Bartlett 26.57 Stan Sather 23.85 Linda Wiener 23.85 Dave Brower 22.74 Ric Soohoo 19.58 Roger McNay 19.26 Hal Montgomery 19.26 Bruce Cuthbertson 17.72 Ron Frazier 17.59 Dawn Campbell

16.68 Paul Wrigley 16.68 Amy Casanova 16.50 John Ashton 16.50 Dennis Metcalf 15.76 Lynne Schaeffer 15.76 Connie Marfell 15.66 Bob Law 15.13 Raj Garg 13.67 Rich Carle 11.82 Nancy Jonske

Penticton Regional Jun 12-18, 2017 Penticton, B.C.

Wed-Thu Gewürztraminer KO-2 2 Kathy & Mike Hansen

Friday Evening ABY Open Pairs Y1 Linda & Steve Tubbs

Thu-Fri Shiraz KO-7 3 Bill Fry

Saturday ABY Open Pairs 2 Hendrik Sharples

Fri-Sat Riesling KO-1

2 Dawn Campbell, Roger McNay, Bob Johnson



53.20 Hendrik Sharples 43.80 Roger McNay 41.31 Bob Johnson 37.44 Dawn Campbell



Top Local Masterpoint Winners

30.99 Connie Coquillette 25.75 Sherwin Moscow 23.92 Mike Hansen 23.92 Kathy Hansen

The Longest Day June 21, 2017

(See story next page.)

Ace of Clubs

Morning 299er Pairs

1 Diane Knudson, Ann Moore 2 Luanne Stoltz, Linda Marshall 3 Frank Nemeth, Martha Maroney

Afternoon Open Pairs

1 Cynthia Sinn, Margot Leonard 2 Sandra Hedlund, Carol Koch 3 Patricia & Steven Moody

Evening Open Pairs

1 Staci Christian, Toni Heitkamp 2 Roger Thomas, Jeff Anhaltzer 3 Zack Woodbury, Mike Goffe

Portland Bridge Club

Morning Open Pairs

1 Elinor Hood, Don Weber 2 Ric Soohoo, Stan Sather 3 Meg Myers, Joe Stanisiewski

B1 John Yadon, Nasir Ali

C1 Kathleen Hart, Fran Henry-Jansa

Afternoon Open Pairs

1 Dave Brower, Linda Wiener 2 Sam Asai, Sylvia Riewerts

3 Kathleen Holahan, Leslie Kelinson

Evening Open Pairs

1 Joel Datloff, Mike Redden 2 Hal Montgomery, Lynne Schaeffer 3 Mark Jansa, Fran Henry-Jansa

Vancouver Bridge Club

10 AM Open Pairs

1 Kathleen Vasks, Reinhard Bohme 2 Linda Tubbs, Sandee Canton 3 Guher Erbil, Shirley Titone

Noon Open Pairs

1 Sam Jones, Verda Toner 2 Kathleen Vasks, Reinhard Bohme 3 Barbara Pyles, Gary Todd C1/2 Liz Fullerton, Sumi Whitehead C1/2 Carol Goodrich, Susan Taylor

2 PM Open Pairs

1 Janie Pearcy, Kathleen Mather 2 Ann Grill, Wende Keirsey 3 Ben Levy, Beverly Walker

4 PM Open Pairs

1 Barbara Pyles, Susan Carter 2 Deborah Lackey, Rita Docken 3 Chuck Burns, Lynda Hirst

6:30 PM Open Pairs

1 Deborah Lackey, Rita Docken 2 Joy Fletcher, Sue Freitag 3 James Anstine, Ron Holbrook









Pictured this page: (left column – Penticton) Mike & Kathy Hansen, Chuck Burns, Steve & Linda Tubbs, Kent Livingston, Jan Clemmons, Bill Fry, Greg Clemmons, Dawn Campbell, Bob Johnson, Roger McNay and (right column - The Longest Day, PBC) Angel Almanza, Kathleen Hart, Fran Henry-Jansa, Labe Walton, Dave Brower, Bob Law, Jim Wiser. Penticton photos by Bill Fry, Longest Day photos by Linda Wiener.

Salem Summer Sectional June 23-25, 2017

Friday Morning Open Pairs 1 Molly Harris, Bob Law 3 Stu Swan, Hadi Allahverdian

Friday Afternoon Open Pairs 1 Stu Swan, Hadi Allahverdian

Saturday Open Pairs 1 John Ashton, Jon Bartlett 2 Isolde Knaap, Louis Beauchet 3 Bob Law, Ron Frazier

Saturday Afternoon 299er Pairs 2 Andrew & Bonny Link

Sunday A/X Swiss

Jim Wiser, Chuck Swart, Ray Robert, Rick Prouser
 Krista Garver, Katherine Leonard
 Connie Coquillette, Ric Soohoo, Lisa Fishman, Ron Frazier

Top Local Masterpoint Winners

18.47 Jon Bartlett
15.75 Bob Law
14.98 John Ashton
14.03 Louis Beauchet
12.68 Ron Frazier
11.39 Stu Swan
11.39 Hadi Allahverdian
10.47 Ray Robert

10.33 Jim Wiser
9.38 Ric Soohoo
9.01 Lynne Schaeffer
8.80 Rick Prouser
8.80 Chuck Swart
8.02 Molly Harris
6.60 Krista Garver
6.60 Katherine Leonard

Toronto 2017 Summer NABC Grand National Teams

Unit 487 applauds the achievements of the District 20 teams, with the A & B teams competing as far as the quarterfinals and the Open team – John Lusky, Randy Pickett, John Ashton, Marc Zwerling, James Elliott, and Dennis Metcalf – making it to the semifinals. There, they were bested by multiple-title winners Team Stansby, who went on to win the overall event.

The Longest Day. On Jun. 21, in morning, afternoon, and evening games local-area clubs worked and played hard to raise funds for the Alzheimer's Association. At the Ace of Clubs, 37.5 tables of players raised more than \$1,500. At the Portland Bridge Club, 28 tables of players raised \$2,718. At the Vancouver Bridge Club, 43 tables of players raised more than \$2,000. Many thanks to **Staci Christian**, **Linda Wiener**, and **Lilla Wallace**, who coordinated their respective clubs' events, and to all the volunteers, players, and others who donated time, silent-auction goods and services, and/or money to help make a very successful Longest Day.

Well done, everyone. Unit 487 congratulates a number of players for outstanding play of late. Among them are Jon Bartlett, who with his respective partners and teammates placed first in every event they played at the Portland Spring Sectional; Common Game winners Shawn Warren & Mike Eyer (Jun. 15) and Joe Titone & Duane Meador (Jul. 11); new Diamond Life Master Verda Toner; new Silver Life Master Marilyn Hill; and new Life Master Elsie Chan. Congratulations also to Connie Marfell, who won the Women's Online World Bridge Club 2017 Spring Festival, a prize that included free entry to the 2017 European Women's Pairs Championship in Montecatini, Italy.



Catlin Gabel School featured Ginny Kopacz, Nancy Jonske, Jan Clemmons and 17 students from the Unit 487 bridge program there in the school's 2017 yearbook. Having taught the program for six years now – with the invaluable help of additional volunteers from our unit – the team looks forward to resuming classes in the fall.



The Ace of Clubs

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MARK YOUR CALENDERS!

STaC Returns August 21-.27. We will be running games all week, excluding Wednesday. Come and earn your SILVER POINTS!!!

We are open September 4 for a Potluck and game. Games begin at 1p.m and 6:30. Let's celebrate Labor Day together!

WEEKLY SCHEDULE				CLUB SPECIALS			
HAND	Records Pro	VIDED FOR	EVERY GAME	August 8	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Open
Monday	10:30a.m. 6:30p.m.	Open 999er	Irene Pickett Bill Hardy	August 11	Friday	10:30 a.m.	Open
Tuesday	10:30a.m. 7:00p.m.	Open Open	Donna Braniff Bill Hardy	August 13 STaC 8/21-27	Sunday Silver point	1:00 p.m.20 s all week (ex	
Wednesday 10:00a.m. 299er Irene Pickett Lesson followed by supervised play at 11:00am			September 4 Labor Day	Monday Special-Bri i	1:00p.m. n g your favo	Open rite side	
Thursday	10:30a.m. 10:30a.m.	Open 499er	Merlin Vilhauer Merlin Vilhauer	September 4 <i>Labor Day</i>	Monday Special-Bri n	6:30p.m. n g your favo	Open rite side
Friday	10:30a.m.	Open	Donna Braniff	September 5	Tuesday	12:30 p.m.	Open
Saturday Sunday	12:00p.m. 1:00p.m.	Open	Donna Braniff	September 14	Thursday	10:30 a.m. 10:30a.m.	Open 499er
Sunday	1.00p.m.	299er	Flo Savage	September 22	Friday	10:30 a.m.	Open
				September 23	Saturday	12:00p.m.	Open
North American Pair Qualifers				BIRTHDAY GAMES			
August 15	Tuesday	7:00p.m	n. All Flights	August 11 September 22 <i>Players whose b</i>	Friday Friday <i>irthdays are</i>	10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. in that month	Open Open play free!

CLUB NEWS

STAC returns August 21-27; we will be running games every session, excluding Wednesday morning, so come and get your SILVER POINTS!

We are closed August 18-20 for the Vancouver sectional and September 8-10 for the Portland Sectional.

We are holding membership games Wednesday, August 23 at 11 a.m. and Saturday, September 23 at 12 p.m. (we will be celebrating Donna's birthday this day).

Join us September 4 to celebrate Labor Day. We will be celebrating with potlucks before each game (bring your favorite side dishes) with games beginning at 1:00 p.m and 6:30 p.m. We announce the winner of the Dick Braniff Legacy Award at the 1 p.m. game. We hope you will join us for this special day!

On September 5 we will have a catered lunch 11:45 for \$5 with a Unit game 12:30 to welcome our out of town guests from Finesse West Tours. See flyer for more information (we are limited on space so sign up while at the club or call soon). NOTE THE LATE START TIME FOR THE GAME ON THIS TUESDAY!

We are holding a Grand National Team qualifier on Tuesday, September 19 at 7:00p.m.

We have continuing lessons and beginning lessons starting in the fall. Please call for more information.



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EXTRA! Read All About It

NEW! 0-500 Game Fridays. Starting Aug. 25, 11 am, Dave Brower directing.

Labor Day Game & Potluck. Join us Mon. Sep. 4, for a potluck lunch at 11 am, followed by an <u>Upgraded Club</u> <u>Championship</u> game with lots of extra masterpoints. Bring a dish to share or \$5 toward the meal.

NEW! Learn to Play Bridge Class. Begins <u>Sep. 11</u>, 6:30-8:30 pm. Monday nights for eight weeks. *Cost: \$120*, or <u>Sep. 13</u>, Wednesdays, 2-4 pm at the MAC. *Cost: \$150 for non- members.*

NEW! Hand of the Week. On our website we explore and analyze a hand of bidding interest from each Friday night game

New Home. News coming soon! Watch for an announcement.

Ice Cream, Ice Cream. We are now serving free ice-cream sundaes through the summer at our Sunday 2 pm Open game.

Special Events

Club Championships. Fri. Aug. 11, 11 am; Sat. Aug. 12, 1 pm (SWF); Mon. Aug. 14, 1 pm (SWF); Tue. Aug. 15, 11 am; Sun. Sep. 17, 2 pm; Mon. Sep. 25, 11 am; Fri. Sep. 29, 7 pm;.

Great Western Summer STaC VIII. Mon. Aug. 21 through Sun. Aug. 27, all games. Silver masterpoints awarded.

NAP Qualifiers. Aug. 6, 16, 28 (SWF), and 31.

Hawaii Hospitality Fundraisers. <u>Mon–Sun, Sep 18–24</u>, to raise funds for player hospitality and entertainment at the 2018 Hawaii Fall NABC. Extra black points awarded.

Lessons

Declarer Play Techniques. Intermediate/Advanced, Wednesday afternoons at 3:30 pm. The current series continues through early September: Blocking & Unblocking (Aug. 9), Probabilities (Aug. 23), Combining Your Chances (Sep. 6).

Bid, Play, Learn I: The Basics. Every Wednesday, 6:30-8:30 pm, with David Castles.

Bid, Play, Learn II: Beyond the Basics. Every Thursday, 3:30-5:30 pm, with David Castles.

For all classes listed above, cost is \$20/session or \$15/session with a 5-lesson punch card.

Friday Night Mini-Lesson. Before the Mentor game we discuss an interesting bidding topic. 6:30 pm. Free.

Weekly Schedule – Sandy

Sun	2 pm	Open	Dave Brower		
Mon	11 am	Open	Doug Jansen		
	7 pm	0–50	Dave Brower		
Tue	11 am	0–50 & 0–750	Dave Brower		
Wed	11 am	Open	Michael Walker		
Thu	11 am	Open	Mary Hovda		
Fri	11 am	Open 0-500 starting Aug. 25	Linda Wiener Dave Brower		
	7 pm	Mentor Game	Linda Wiener		

Special Games & Events – Sandy

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Sun	Aug 6	2 pm	NAP Qualifier	
Fri	Aug 11	11 am	Birthday Bash & Club Championship	
Tue	Aug 15	11 am	Club Championship	
Wed	Aug 16	11 am	NAP Qualifier	
	Fri – Sun Aug 18-20 CLOSED for Vancouver S		OSED for Vancouver Sectional	
Mon – Sun Aug 21-27		STaC Week: All games		
Thu	Aug 31	11 am	NAP Qualifier	
Mon	Sep 4	11 am	am Labor Day Potluck & Upgraded Club Championship	
Fri – Sun Sep 8-10		CLOSED for Portland Sectional		
Fri	Sep 15	11 am	Birthday Bash & International Fund Game	
Sun	Sep 17	2 pm	Club Championship	
Mon – Sun Sep. 18-24		ALL GAMES: Hawaii Hospitality Fundraiser		
Mon	Sep 25	11 am	Club Championship	
Fri	Sep 29	7 pm	Club Championship	

Weekly Schedule – South Waterfront

Mon	1 pm	Open	Chris Wiegand
Sat	1 pm	Open	Chris Wiegand

Special Games & Events – South Waterfront

Mon	Aug 7	CLOSED – No game at SWF today			
Sat & Mon Aug 12 & 14		1 pm	Club Championships		
Sat	Aug 19	CLOSED for Vancouver Sectional			
Mon & Sat Aug 21 & 26		1 pm	STaC Week Games		
Sat	Sep 9	CLOSED for Portland Sectional			
Mon & Sat Sep 18 & 23		1 pm	Hawaii Hospitality Fundraisers		

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SCHEDULE AND EVENTS: August – September 2017

DAY	TIME	TYPE	DIRECTOR
MONDAY	12:00 PM	Open	Ian Kirk
	6:30 PM	0-300 MP	Ian Kirk
TUESDAY	10:30 AM	Open	Jan Yocom
	7:00 PM	Open	Ian Kirk
WEDNESDAY	10:30 AM	Open	Garland Wilson
	6:30 PM*	Mentored	Lynda Hirst
THURSDAY	10:30 AM	0-1500 MP	Steve Tubbs
	6:30 PM	0-100	Deborah Lackey
FRIDAY	10:30 AM	Open	Jan Yocom
	7:00 PM	Open	Garland Wilson
SATURDAY	12:00 PM	0-500 MP & Open	Ian Kirk

*Come 30 minutes early to the Wednesday evening game for a brief lesson. Call or arrive 15 minutes early to be paired with a mentor or mentee. Mentors (Life Masters) play for free.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Vancouver Summer Sectional. Washington School for the Deaf; Fri. Aug. 18 through Sun. Aug. 20. Fri. & Sat. Pairs, 10:00 AM and 3:00 PM; Sun. Fast Pairs 10:00 AM; Teams 10:00 AM and TBD.

Great Western Summer STaC VIII. Mon. Aug. 21 through Sun. Aug. 27, all games.

Labor Day Potluck & Play. Mon. Sep. 4 11:30 AM potluck, 12:00 PM Open Pairs.

SPECIAL GAMES

NAP Qualifiers. Wed. Aug. 9 10:30 AM; Tue. Aug. 15 7:00 PM; Mon. Aug. 28 12:00 PM. **GNT Qualifier.** Sun. Sep. 24 1:00 PM. **NABC Promos.** Mon. Sep. 18 6:30 PM; Wed. Sep. 20 6:30 PM; Thu. Sep. 21 1:30 & 6:30 PM; Sat. Sep. 23 12:00 PM.

Club Championships. Sat. Aug. 5 12:00 PM; Mon. Aug. 7 12:00 PM; Wed. Aug. 16 6:30 PM; Tue. Aug. 29 7:00 PM; Wed. Sep. 6 10:30 AM; Mon. Sep. 11 6:30 PM; Tue. Sep. 12 10:30 AM; Fri. Sep. 22 10:30 AM. **Charity Championship.** Fri. Sep. 15 10:30 AM. **Interclub Championship.** Wed. Sep. 13 10:30 AM.

Unit Games. Wed. Aug. 16 10:30 AM; Mon. Sep. 4 (Labor Day), 12:00 PM (potluck 11:30 AM); Sun. Sep. 17 1:00 PM. Membership Game. Tue. Aug. 8 7:00 PM.

499er EVENTS

0-100 MP Game. Thursday nights, 6:30 PM. **0-300 MP Game.** Monday nights, 6:30 PM. Paced for newer players. **0-500 MP Games.** Saturdays, 12:00 PM, preceded by a Q&A on conventions, strategies, and more. **Mentored games.** Wednesday nights, 6:30 PM.

SUNDAY GAMES

"EIGHT IS ENOUGH" Swiss Teams. Aug. 13 & Sep. 17, 1:00 PM. <u>Please RSVP in advance</u> (360-737-3772). "OCCASIONAL SUNDAY" Open Pairs. Aug. 27 & Sep. 3, 1:00 PM. Both games: Treats at 12:30 PM.

LESSONS

Major Suit Raises. Saturdays 9:30-11:30 AM: Sep. 16, 23, 30 and Oct. 21. Covers help-suit game try, limit raises, losing trick count, Jacoby 2NT, maximal double, and Jordan.. Cost: \$40/series or \$15/lesson (each includes 8 boards of play). \$7/textbook. Register by Sep. 7 with Deborah Lackey, deborah@deborahlackey.com or 360-216-7484.

CLOSURES

We are closed <u>Fri. Aug. 18 through Sun. Aug. 20</u> for the Vancouver Summer Sectional, and <u>Fri. Sep. 8 through Sun. Sep. 10</u> for the Portland Fall Sectional.

PORTLAND FALL SECTIONAL Sept. 8-10, 2017

Get your SILVER sectional points

SITE: Montgomery Park 2701 NW Vaughn St Portland, OR 97210 I-405 to Hwy 30W to Vaughn (503) 228-7275

FRIDAY, Sept. 8, 10:30 AM & 3:30 PM Single Session Pairs Open Pairs (Stratified) Pairs, Non-LM (Non Life Master) (0-500, Stratified) Pairs, Novice (0-100, Stratified, # of tables permitting)

SATURDAY, Sept. 9, 10:30 AM & 3:30 PM, Pairs

Open Pairs, Stratiflighted, Two Session Playthrough All pair STRATS (Single session entries welcome)

Flight AX (A=3000+, X=0-3000), plays separately Flight BCD (B=1250-2000, C=750-1250, D=0-750)

Single Session Events (10:30 AM & 3:30 PM) Pairs, Non-LM (0-500, Stratified) Pairs, Novice (0-100, Stratified, # of tables permitting) determined by average mps of pair, but AX, BCD. & Non LM mp limits apply.

FREE COTTE

SUNDAY, Sept. 10, 10:30 AM Teams, 2nd Session TBA

Flight A/AX Swiss Teams, VP's Flight A = 3000+, Flight AX = 0-3000Bracketed 0-2000 Swiss Teams, VP's One session teams (Non-LM, 0-500) Win/Loss

and Snacks Note: A team with any player over 2000 plays in Flight A/AX.

All brackets determined by average mps of teams.

Note: Lunch included between sessions. Please no scents or perfume.



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Tourn. Mgr: Alan Johnson 971-998-4261, (apeace01@comcast.net) Partnership: Ron Root 503-530-0331, (ronaldroot@comcast.net) \$10 per session, \$13 for unpaid and non-ACBL members, Sanction #S1709107 \$5 students under age 26 with student I.D (\$8 if non member)