

### Robin Brineman Memorial Trophy Race (0—300 Unit Games)

<u>0—49</u>	<u>50—199</u>	<u>200—299</u>
Helen Wilson 0.66	Janice Jones 0.96	NO
Myrna Davis 0.66	Bob Fried 0.96	LEADERS
Barb Strole 0.50	Marlys Roberts 0.81	
Susan Foster 0.50	Fred Gilbert 0.81	
	Beth Lester 0.61	

### **McLane Trophy Race (Open Unit Games)**

<b>Over 1000 MPs</b>	<b>300-1000 MPs</b>
Gard Hays 6.37	Mike Coopersmith 4.24
Sybil Broughton-Lucks 5.95	Eloise Whitehead 2.50
Norma Hols 5.51	Jane Lyons-Macy 2.48
Bill Rottmayer 4.54	Myrla Walty 2.23
Lynn Hays 4.54	Dorothy Davis 2.23
Jodi Kimbrell 4.51	Margaret Bartline 2.15
Pete Pluhta 3.19	Sally Gay 2.05
Sally Fahland 3.10	David Barr 1.86
Peter Barthels 2.76	Marshall Mah 1.86
Donna Dechenne 1.63	Kris Motoyoshi 1.79
<b>50-300 MPs</b>	<b>0-50- MPs</b>
Catherine Creer 4.24	Myrna Davis 1.32
Keri Malone 2.11	Kathleen Putman 0.90
Jerry Hensley 2.11	Ann Sanders 0.66
Richard Oberdorfer 2.05	Helen Wilson 0.66
Jon Brandon 1.59	Rachel Denk 0.39
Roma Bucher 1.34	
Janet Tamura 1.32	
Massimo Gallotti 1.29	
Cristina Gallotti 1.29	
Ginny Davis 1.14	

### **New Masterpoint Levels: Mar/Apr**

**Junior:** Mary Bestick, Sue Foster, B.J. Kolkman,  
Greg Rathvon, Barb Strole  
**Sectional:** Eileen Hendon, Ann Sanders,  
Arlene Steinman  
**Regional:** Jon Brandon, Marlys Roberts, Janet Tamura

### **New Members and Transfers In**

**NM:** Mary Borrell, Helen Engen, Judith Hill, Sandra Moulton  
**TI:** Michael Jones, Sharyne Kocalis

### **From the Unit President-Norma Hols**

Several of our club players who live in Coeur d'Alene would like to have a unit game at Beverly's, in the Coeur d'Alene Resort. If we each buy our lunch there (at a reduced rate menu) they will furnish us a room with tables and chairs for bridge. The unit board thought this might be a nice idea for a one-session Sunday afternoon game August 5. Car pools could be arranged. How do you feel? Please let a board member know your opinion on this.

The board decided not to purchase a defibrillator at this time, but Fred Gilbert is going to look into the availability and cost of CPR classes for members who would like to be certified.

Since getting approval at the March meeting, Myrla Walty, Board Treasurer, has purchased a \$5,000 Certificate of Deposit at US Bank.

We also discussed the possibility that we might need an assistant director at our sectional tournaments. Since the meeting, Bob Gellner heard from Steve Bates, District 19 Chief Director, that Spokane is still a one-director assignment.

Our Tournament Chairman, Doris Anderson, has decided to have the Sunday team game scored as win/loss at the June Sectional.

Another item the Board discussed at the March meeting was mentor fees. Since the mentors receive Master Points for their play, the Board recommends that they pay their own \$2 (soon \$2.50) fee that's owed the motel. The club owners waive their regular fee.

Bill Rottmayer presented a proposal for the unit to lease a site for club games. The board decided to have a special session to discuss the matter and invite the club owners to attend.

Hope to see you at the June Sectional!

### Unit 448 Treasurer Report (April)

\$1,206.35 in the checking account  
\$8,136.60 in the savings account

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### **GRAND SLAMMER DEADLINES**

**June 15, Aug 15, Oct 15, Dec 15**

## A Hand from John Sturgul

**Dlr:W**  
**Vul:None**  
**Lead:SQ**

S. J82  
H. 98643  
D. KJ10  
C. Q2

Partnership defense is perhaps the hardest part of bridge. Here is a hand from a major pairs championship where one wrong card played would result in changing a top to a near bottom. The bidding is shown at left.

S. Q3  
H. Q2  
D. AQ65  
C. A10965

S. AK1074  
H. 10  
D. 832  
C. K873

West's first pass denied three spades (a double would show three and a raise four). The rest of the auction was a typical match point auction.

S. 965  
H. AKJ75  
D. 974  
C. J4

How would you and your partner handle the defense? The first three tricks were three spades with West pitching the club 10. This promised a high honor in clubs. Seeing the queen in dummy, East could confidently play the club 3 to West's Ace. The club 3 also promised a high honor. Now the spotlight turned to West. Down two was almost a certainty, but would his double compensate for a missed game in spades? Looking at dummy, the only chance for another trick was the spade queen. The problem was to force partner to play another spade rather than a diamond. The answer was simple. West cashed the diamond ace before returning a club to East's king. East could now see that the only chance for another trick was to play another spade. On the return of a spade, South was helpless. Quite a few E-W's were scoring +420 in a spade game,so +500 was essential for a top score.

West	North	East	South
1C	P	1S	2H
P	P	3C	P
P	3H	P	P
double			

*Editors Note: Beginning this month there will be an article in the Grand Slammer about familiar figures in our bridge unit. In our first article Kay Fergie, longtime bridge director, has written about memories of bridge in Spokane.*

### A Brief History of Duplicate Bridge in Spokane By Kay Fergie

The beginning of duplicate bridge in Spokane was in the late forties under the directorship of George Welch. I played my first duplicate game with my mother in 1950. The games were held in the cocktail lounge of the old Spokane Hotel which was on the property now occupied by the Ridpath Motor Inn. The games were later held in other rooms of the hotel, including the mezzanine which overlooked the dining room and the Blue Room (the entry fee was 50 cents!!). Madeline Flaherty and Roland Christy became directors and then later Rosemary Wynia and Rhea Welch. Later, games were held at the Spokane House and the Francis Lester Hotel. For a number of years the game results were published weekly in the newspaper. In 1964 I moved to Ephrata, WA-I enjoyed duplicate there and in Wenatchee-I began directing in the area. I did attend most of the tournaments in Spokane so kept in touch with the players. I returned to Spokane in 1983. At that time, Patricia Wright and Dave Westfall managed a playing site on east Trent Avenue. Later, Barbara Blodgett and Dave Westfall managed a playing area on Broadway and Ash. Fern Koenig directed games in her home and in East Spokane. I began directing in 1985. In 1990 I leased a space in a building (the former Rocking Horse Restaurant) on First Avenue and Cowley. In June 1999 we moved to 6th Avenue and were there until December, 2004 when we moved to the Budget Inn (now the Quality Inn). Some of you wonder why we have the McLane Trophy Race at the unit games. Henry McLane was a very faithful club and unit game attendee. He used to take the Greyhound bus to tournaments where he had "pick-up" partners and managed to do very well. When he passed away, his wife Mary wanted to do something in Henry's memory and that is why we have the McLane Trophy Race.

### ACE OF CLUBS MINI-McKINNEY

#### 0-5

B J Kolkman	10.66	B J Kolkman	12.77
Mary Bestick	7.89	Mary Bestick	10.00
Barb Strole	4.26	Barb Strole	8.01

#### 5-20

Myrna Davis	8.73	Myrna Davis	9.78
Dixie Herro	4.11	Dixie Herro	5.53
Bob Cox	3.70	Dick St John	5.04

#### 20-50

Ann Sanders	12.14	Ann Sanders	14.03
Arlene Steiman	7.32	Arlene Steiman	8.87
Ann Figg	7.20	Eileen Hendon	7.85

#### 50-100

Jon Brandon	10.87	Jon Brandon	19.92
Fred Gilbert	8.96	Fred Gilbert	11.91
Marlys Roberts	6.98	Marlys Roberts	9.93

#### 100-200

Robert Fried	25.59	Dmitriy Myedvyedev	60.48
Max Gallotti	23.34	Max Gallotti	33.37
Bob Richards	23.04	Robert Fried	29.74

#### 200-300

Catherine Creer	34.03	Catherine Creer	59.55
John Bouchard	19.66	John Bouchard	32.69
Roma Bucher	16.96	Roma Bucher	24.09

#### 300-500

Jane Lyons Macy	27.08	Jane Lyons Macy	32.30
Virginia Boyles	21.91	Ron Krueger	30.07
Mike Coopersmith	20.58	Virginia Boyles	28.49

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**Quality Inn** 110 E 4th Ave. 838.6101  
 Spokane WA  
**Paulter Sr. Ctr. 549 5th. St.** Clarkston WA  
**Spokane Valley Community Ctr**  
**10814 E Broadway**  
**Stookey's** 211 W. D Street Moscow ID.

## CLUB NEWS



### UNIT CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES 2007:

Held at Quality Inn, 110 E 4th Avenue

May 20, 1:00 & 5:00 Two Session TEAM	Potluck between sessions
June 3, 5:00PM One Session Pairs-	TWO SECTIONS Open & 0-300
July NO UNIT GAME	
August 5, 5:00PM One Session Pairs-	TWO SECTIONS Open & 0-300
September 9, 1:00 NAP Qualifying	Approx 4:00 ELECTIONS
September 9, 5:00 One Session Pairs	TWO SECTIONS—Open & 0-300
October 21, 1:00 & 5:00 Two Session Pairs	TWO SECTIONS Open & 0-300
November 11, 1:00PM One Session Pairs	CHAIRITY GAME— TWO SECTIONS Open & 0-300
December 9 Christmas Unit Celebration	Mukogawa/Ft. Wright

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|----------------------|------------------------------|
| [1] Quality Inn      | Kay Fergie 509/838.3270      |
| [2] Quality Inn      | Dick Yager 509/443.7221      |
| [3] Quality Inn      | Kris Motoyoshi 509/466.4249  |
| [4] Quality Inn      | Phyllis Ewing 509/448.2526   |
| [5] Quality Inn      | Mike Coopersmith 466-4404    |
| [6] Spokane Valley   | Brenda Simpson 9/926.6973    |
| [7] Masonic Lodge    | Robert Boyer 208/743.3855    |
| [8] Paulter Sr. Ctr. | David Schwartz 208/743.2143  |
| [9] Stookey's        | Pete Pluhta 509/334.3245     |
| [10] Quality Inn     | David Rottmayer 509/533-9671 |

#### MONDAYS:

- 10:00 [1] Non Life Master (Kay's Games)  
 6:30 [2] Open Game (Maggie's Club)

#### TUESDAYS:

- 11:00 [2] Open Game (Maggie's Club)  
 11:00 [6] Open Handicap (BWB)  
 6:30 [3] Tuesday Open Game (Sam's BC)  
 7:15 [9] Open Game

#### WEDNESDAYS:

- 12:30 [4] Open Game (Spokane BC)  
 6:30 [3] 0-100 Student Game (Sam's BC)

#### THURSDAYS:

- 12:30 [3] Open Game (Sam's BC)  
 1:00 [8] Open Game  
 6:00 [6] Open Handicap Game (BWB)

#### FRIDAYS:

- 11:00 [2] Open Game (Maggie's Club)

#### SATURDAYS:

- 10:30 [7] Non Sanctioned Open Game  
 12:30 [1] Open Game (Kay's Games)

#### SUNDAYS:

- 1:00 [5] Last Sunday of Every Month TEAM GAME

**Unit Championship Games Once a month various dates**

#### **Upcoming WC STaC Games**

May 8	Maggies Games Tues PM
May 8	Sam's BC Tues PM
May 9	Sam's BC Wed PM
May 10	Sam's BC Thurs Aft
May 12	Kays Club Sat Aft

#### **Have You Heard? By Doris Anderson**

Betty Atwater has passed on from complications of heart surgery. A memorial service will be held Monday, July 2, 2007 at the Episcopal church in Republic at 10am.

Fourteen tables of bridge friends turned out to help Margaret Bartline celebrate her retirement. There were flowers, gifts, food and speeches. Margaret started her career directing units games in 1980, and continued in that position for nineteen years. She also began directing club games that same year. Teaching bridge lessons was another of her specialties. She is retiring from those duties, but still remains a regular player at the club games. We at the bridge clubs have been blessed to have had her with us for so many years.

Congratulations to new Junior Masters: Mary Bestick, Sue Foster, BJ Kolkman, Greg Rathvon and Barb Strole. Also, new Sectional Masters: Eileen Hendon, Ann Sanders and Arlene Steinman. Making Regional Master: Jon Brandon, Marlys Roberts and Janet Tamura, Rose Zinkgraf is now a Bronze Life Master. Way to Go, Rosie!

Congratulations to those making seventy percent games: Ginny Davis and Dick Yager, Bill Rottmayer and Chris Kent, Jodi Kimbrell and Pat Strand.

Kris Motoyoshi would like to thank Bob Richards, Mary Bestick and Max Gallotti for their help in the Youth Program at West Valley City School. These individuals are key bridge players helping to teach 10, 11, and 12-year olds the game of bridge. If you have some time available to volunteer one day a week in the mornings, please call Kris. Thanks much!

#### **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS 2ND Qtr 2007**

<b>Kay's Club Mon AM</b>	<b>May 21</b>
<b>Bridge w/ Brenda Tue</b>	<b>June 19</b>
<b>Spok. Bridge Club</b>	<b>May 16</b>
<b>Sam's BC Wed PM</b>	<b>May 9</b>
<b>Bridge w/ Brenda Th</b>	<b>June 24</b>
<b>Mike's Team Game</b>	<b>May 27 June 24</b>



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**WEBSITES**

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District 19 www.d19.org  
ACBL www.acbl.org

**Next Unit Game: Quality Inn, 110 E. 4th Avenue  
May 20 1:00 & 5:00 Two Session TEAM  
Potluck between sessions**

**2007 Unit Board Members**

President Norma Hols 535-0772  
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Secretary Keri Malone 328-2744  
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Membership Jerry Hensley 926-8570  
Unit Hospitality Jo Ann Brown 465-8218  
Tournament Doris Anderson 465-3960  
Fred Gilbert 464-3415  
Eloise Whitehead 566-0800  
Max Gallotti 838-4028  
Kathy O'Malley 332-8226  
Bob Gellner 464-3415

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Recorder Donna Dechenne 327-7737  
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Ethics and Conduct Gary Singer 993-7279  
Unit Director David Rottmayer 533-9671  
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Grand Slammer Marty Burdick 255-9632  
Property: Mike Coopersmith

**Spokane Lilac Sectional June 29—July 1, 2007  
Knights of Columbus 302 E Boone, Spokane WA**

**Open Events**

Open Stratum:  
0-500, 500-1500, 1500+

**Friday June 29**

1:00 Stratified Pairs, 1st Session  
7:00 Stratified Pairs, 2nd Session

**Saturday June 30**

1:00 Stratified Pairs, 1st Session  
7:00 Stratified Pairs, 2nd Session

**Sunday July 1 Two Sessions**

10:00 & TBA Stratified Swiss Teams

**Partnerships Open Events:**

Donna Carter 509/325.9551  
Donna-Spokane@msn.com

Eloise Whitehead 509/466.0800

**Intermediate/Newcomer Events:**

**I/N Stratum: 0-10, 10-50, 50-100**

**Friday June 29**

1:00 Stratified Pairs, One Session

**Saturday June 30**

1:00 Stratified Pairs, One Session

**FREE PLAY**

1:00 **0-5** Pairs, One Session

**Partnerships I/N Events:**

Ann Figg 509/468.2652  
skipandann@yahoo.com

Keri Malone 509/328.2744

Sanction No S0707070  
CANADIAN DOLLARS AT PAR

Tournament Director: Matt Koltnow

Tournament Equipment: Mike Coopersmith

**Tournament Chair: Doris Anderson 509/465.3960 bud4doris@msn.com**

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**ACE OF CLUBS MINI-McKINNEY**

**500-1000**

Dottie Davis 15.13 Marshall Mah 47.57  
Marshall Mah 14.75 Kris Motoyoshi 20.80  
Betty Vingo 14.75 Pat Strand 19.65

**1000-2500**

Bill Rottmayer 35.58 Bill Rottmayer 87.73  
Norma Hols 31.13 Dave Rottmayer 51.95  
Peter Barthels 24.86 Peter Barthels 50.74

**2500-5000**

Brenda Simpson 9.89 Jodi Kimbrell 38.22  
Jodi Kimbrell 7.79 Brenda Simpson 20.77  
Glo Ross 6.87 Cary Bush 13.68

**5000-7500**

Kay Fergie 32.00 Sally Fahland 56.85  
Lynn Hays 22.75 Lynn Hays 54.51  
Sally Fahland 19.65 Pete Pluhta 46.52

**Over 10,000  
Gard Hays**