



# Kibitzer

Palo Alto Unit 503

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## Unmixed Pairs Unit Game Set for January 25

There's no mix up! Yes, the first Unit game in 2004 will be an Unmixed Pairs on Sunday, January 25 at 1 p.m. What in the world is Unmixed? In this format, both partners must be of the same sex, man with man, woman with woman.

Of course, to help the enjoyment, players will wear name tags to put everyone on a first name basis. To add to the fun, there will also be hand records.



## Table Talk

On Thursday, December 11, there was a gala at the Bridge Club to celebrate Gene Simpson attaining 20,000 masterpoints. Contributors who made this event special were Barbara Oshamn (champagne), Hansa Narasimhan (hand-made finger sandwiches), Jean Flocks (balloons), Lorna "Master Sergeant" Corbetta (tableware supplies) and Barbara Sonsini (cake). Concurrently, a live and silent auction was held on unclaimed items from last year's Treasure Chest, which earned the Unit about \$800. Mary Ann Berg won the live auction play date with Gene, who graciously volunteered to discuss the hands immediately after their session for all who play that day (TBD).

## Happy Holidays!

*Seasons Greetings from the Kibitzer staff and contributors: Elinor Tanck, Lori Spaeth, Alan Templeton, Ethel Worcester, Gersh Wheeler, Jim Turner, Ernst Jacobi, Ed Barlow, Jerry Smith, Tom Snouse and Hansa Narasimhan.*

## Greet 2004 With a Party and Bridge



Celebrate New Year's Eve with your bridge friends at a Unit game on Wednesday, December 31 at the Bridge Center. Note that game time is 8 p.m. As the witching hour of midnight approaches, the players will take a break to toast the arrival of 2004. The Unit asks players to bring finger food or hors d'oeuvres as their contribution to the festivities. The Unit will supply the beverages. Will Watson will direct the game. Questions? Call Carla at (650) 961-3731.

## Unit Welcomes Newcomer Game

Sherie Greenberg announces the start of a new limited game on Wednesday mornings for those with 0-20 masterpoints. The first game will be January 7. Come early at 10 a.m. for a short lesson; game time is 10:15. This club should have special appeal to those who attend



Easy Bridge. Also, the addition of this game will increase the masterpoint awards at Sherie's Bridge 'n Brunch club.

## Newcomers

A warm welcome to new Palo Alto Unit 503 member: Barbara Henderson. Hello, to D. Bernstein, Lindy Brauner, Ray Crist, Jeanette McNeil, who recently transferred into the Unit.

## It Seems to Me, By Gersh Wheeler

Do you pay attention to the bidding of your opponents? During the play of the hand, do you form a picture of your opponents' cards from their bidding?

My partner opened the bidding one notrump. I bid two clubs, and he said two diamonds. I closed the bidding with three notrump. The opponents passed throughout. During the play, my partner ran a 5-card club suit in dummy, forcing the opponents to find some discards. One opponent held four hearts to the jack and three other cards which enabled my partner to make an overtrick. He explained to his partner that he was afraid to throw a heart, since declarer might have four hearts. His partner agreed he had a problem. Didn't anyone hear declarer's two diamond bid?

## Player Advancements

The ACBL December report shows that the following players have moved up. Congratulations!

<u>Junior Master</u>	Thomas Dayharsh, 5 MP	Doris Neiman
<u>Club Master</u>	Tom Cadwell, Ioana Galis, 20 MP	Marge Sternlieb
<u>Sect'l Master</u>	Guy Williams 50 MP	
<u>Silver L.M.</u>	Martie Moore, Vandana Vidwans 1000 MP	

## Merle Orelove Expresses Her Gratitude

Sportsmanship Trophy winner, Merle Orelove regrets that she was out of town for the trophy presentation at the Unit event on Sunday, November 16. She is honored to be selected and appreciates receiving the trophy. She says a sincere thank you

## Urgent! Be on Time for Bridge

Both the players and directors want everyone to be ready to start playing bridge at the scheduled time. First, check the day of the game and the scheduled start time. This is very important for day time games, because the game times are not all the same: Easy Bridge begins at 9:00, Sherie's Newcomers at 10:00, Friday Morning BC at 10:30. Some start at 11:00, several at noon, one at 12:30 and two at 1:00 p.m. Next, plan to arrive 10 minutes before the time on the schedule, NOT 10 minutes after. To those chronic latecomers, please shape up! It is not fair to make others always wait for you.

## Board Meeting Highlights

- The Board established a financial policy for use of the Bridge Center for classes and lectures.
- Gloria Leitstein, 2004 Firecracker Sectional chair, announced that Jay Magid approved the proposed schedule.

## Sign Up for Better Bridge

Cameron Cotton will teach a series of eight lessons at the Oak Creek Apartments, starting Wednesday, February 25. The intermediate classes are at noon, the advanced at 2 p.m. The cost is \$120 per person. There will also be a lesson at the Bridge Center after the game on Friday, January 29. The subject will be *Passed Hand Bidding* and the cost is \$20 per person. Contact Cameron for further information at (415) 902-7800 or [maryecotton@cox.net](mailto:maryecotton@cox.net)

NEXT BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, January 6, 3:45 p.m.  
Bridge Center



# November 2003 Winners' Circle

Compiled by Alan Templeton – Individual game results are at: <http://www.accesscom.com/~unit503/gameresults.html>



## Monday

### Bridge Mix

- 3 N. Wolf/P. Saunders  
(B) B. Hirsekorn/D. Wheeler  
J. Flocks/R. Kilgren  
(B) B. Olmo/R. Heller  
10 (A&B) G. Bowling/G.  
Williams  
(A&B) C. Lin/M. Chen  
17 P. Chambers/L. Spaeth  
(A&B) D. & G. Wheeler  
J. Von Gehr/A. Oliff  
(B) I. Frymire/C. Macey  
24 (A&B) P. Tsu/G. Herrick  
(A&B) C. Fay/C. McGorvin

### Sherie's Monday Game

- 3 T. Canning/J. Hornback  
D. Hornback/A. Mollard  
10 J. Keehan/T. McCaffrey  
T. Anderson/M. Partney  
17 S. Landsman/A. Elliot  
D. Hornback/A. Mollard  
24 D. Shannahan/S. Fikes  
J. Keehan/L. Lettis

## Tuesday

### Alpine BC

- 4 P. & R. Chambers  
(B) W. Sumner/M. Kelly  
(A&B) A. Templeton/N.  
Stevens  
(A,B&C) M. Goodman/C.  
Lane  
L. Prim/M. Van Tamelen  
(B) J. Tseng/M. Chen  
J. Burlingame/C. Cole  
(A,B&C) B. Donoghue/L.  
Doying  
11 M. Larkin/M. Van Tamelen  
(B) M. O'Leary/R. Kilner  
(B&C) L. Prim/B. Larsen  
(A&B) H. Sung/B. Hsu  
(C) P. Kueffer/M. Orelove  
H. Solleder/A. Levy  
(B) M. Shaffer/M. Adams  
(A,B&C) B. Leonard/E.  
Beckwith  
18 M. Larkin/J. Robinson  
(A&B) N. Evans/B. Liddicoat  
(C) M. Marx/R. Lachman  
M. & T. Sato  
(A&B) S. Balson/M. Coy  
(C) S. Liebhaber/J. Girand  
M. Mackinnon/E. Worcester  
(B&C) D. Wheeler/J. Samuels  
(A&B) B. Leonard/M. Slater  
(A,B&C) M. Wu/D. Chang  
25 (A&B) N. Evans/B. Liddicoat  
(C) M. Marx/R. Lachman  
H. Silver/R. Heller  
(A,B&C) G. Leitstein/L. Blum  
(A&B) P. Chari/R. Husain  
(B&C) M. Shaffer/M. Smith  
B. Oshman/G. Simpson  
(A&B) W. Pomeroy/G.  
Skidmore  
(C) D. Chang/B. Chu

### Tuesday Noon BC

- 4 (A&B) R. & C. Johnson  
(C) J. McCullough/J. Rose  
(A&B) I. & W. Price  
(C) J. Stuart-Smith/J. Ford  
(A&B) R. Nelson/B. Larsen  
(C) B. & L. Berg  
(A&B) M. Partney/T.  
Anderson  
(C) J. Bower/S. Morton

- 11 (A,B&C) L. Whelan/M. Soltz  
D. Halden/J. Franke  
(B) R. & A. Rice  
(C) L. Westerin/H. Master  
D. Hornback/A. Mollard  
(B&C) A. Gaudie/E. Schmitt  
18 (A,B&C) L. Whelan/M. Soltz  
(A&B) T. Aberg/J. Cook  
(C) F. & M. Rappaport  
(Tie-B&C) C. Karnos/M.  
Herbach  
(Tie) D. Doolittle/D. Stowell  
T. Hall/J. Franke  
(B) A. Story/R. Jastremski  
(C) L. Westerin/H. Master  
25 (A&B) M. & R. Lawrence  
R. & A. Rice  
(B) J. Shannahan/M. Gampell  
(A&B) G. Williams/A.  
Wolman  
(C) C. Karnos/M. Herbach  
(A,B&C) B. & J. Stern

### Under 200 Bridge Club Combined with Noon BC

- Tuesday Night BC\***  
4 H. Solleder/J. Stanczak  
M. Moore/P. Cornelius  
(A&B) L. Wagner/W.  
Bidermann  
(A&B) L. Cicolani/J. McCloy  
(A,B&C) C. & H. Lindauer  
18 (A,B&C) F. Gonzalez/C.  
Tataru  
(A&B) A. Cummings/G. Drew  
25 H. Solleder/J. Stanczak  
(A,B&C) I. & V. Galis  
L. Cicolani/J. McCloy  
(A,B&C) C. & H. Lindauer

## Wednesday

### Bridge N Brunch

- 5 T. Bowman/M. Yates  
B. Sonsini/L. Spaeth  
12 L. Corbetta/B. Ross  
G. Kucera/L. Mohr  
19 P. Saunders/D. Wheeler  
M. Goodman/C. Lane  
26 E. Jacobi/D. Wheeler  
G. Herrick/P. Saunders

### Wed. Aft. 49er\*\*

- 5 A. Natrass/M. Soltz  
R. Ward/J. Neuman  
12 M. Cook/K. Pickert  
S. Corley/M. Friedlander  
19 J. Kiernan/P. Yelvington  
J. Gronski/P. Ngo  
26 J. Newman/R. Ward  
J. McCullough/J. Rose

### Cotton Club

- 5 F. Gonzalez/L. Frost  
(B) D. Allison/A. Lam  
(B&C) G. Kao/T. Coleman  
J. Rollin/J. Hancock  
(B) W. Bidermann/A.  
Cummings  
12 G. Wheeler/D. Rothschild  
(A&B) D. Allison/A. Lam  
(A,B&C) S. Goldshine/P.  
Frederick  
T. Gokcen/G. Macgregor  
(B&C) S. Atkinson/J.  
Hornback  
19 K. Talbot/Z. Mohammed  
(A&B) D. & W. Spicer  
(A,B&C) J. Parks/L. Lettis  
C. Davis/E. Tanck  
(A,B&C) J. Girand/R.  
Lachman  
26 Closed

## Thursday

### Sherie's BC

- 6 E. Ehrman/R. Husain  
A. Pagin/M. Moutoux  
F. Bao/R. Smadi  
D. Hornback/A. Mollard  
13 G. & J. Gusman  
E. Gove/J. Adamial  
E. Yankowitz/R. Jacobs  
R. Randolph/S. Anderson  
20 D. Foti/F. Omori  
A. Mollard/B. Liddicoat  
H. Macdonnel/H. Sung  
P. Kueffer/V. Vlume  
27 Closed

### Thursday Aft. BC

- 6 M. Yates/P. Saunders  
(B) D. Wheeler/L. Spaeth  
(A&B) R. Heller/M. Troster  
(C) G. Leitstein/L. Blum  
13 M. Yates/L. Spaeth  
(B) N. Evans/A. Arnold  
(A&B) J. Von Gehr/G.  
Herrick  
(C) G. Leitstein/L. Blum  
20 M. Yates/A. Levy  
(A&B) B. Ross/M. Sterngold  
J. Flocks/E. Herrmann  
(A&B) D. Yang/N. Wang  
(A,B&C) C. Lane/M.  
Goodman  
27 Closed

### Red Club Unavailable

## Friday

### Easy Bridge

- 7 C. Osborn/B. Thayer  
J. Rush/R. Seiger  
U. Summey/J. Cadamartory  
L. Whelan/M. Soltz  
14 R. Doll/A. Natrass  
S. Sevey/L. Brauner  
L. Whelan/M. Soltz  
(Tie) M. Williams/M.  
Atherton  
(Tie) B. Thayer/V. Howard  
21 B. Thayer/M. Shaw  
S. Sevey/L. Brauner  
G. Stark/U. Summey  
A. Bialson/J. Cadamartory

### Friday Morning BC

- 7 (A&B) B. Hirsekorn/R. Heller  
C. & B. Brigham  
(B) C. Lane/M. Goodman  
14 C. Mandala/Y. Inn  
G. Herrick/C. Brigham  
(B) D. Bernstein/E. Jacobi  
(B) B. Sonsini/N. Nazari  
21 M. Yates/M. Berg  
(A&B) R. Husain/N. Weiss  
(B) J. Chognard/N. Irwin  
28 L. Corbetta/H. Zoellner  
J. Hodges/L. Finkelstein

### Friday Night Barometer

- 7 (A&B) K. Humphrey/H. Farhi  
(C) F. Gonzalez/K.  
Nedelchev  
(A&B) S. Goodgold/R. Ritz  
(C) J. Pahk/S. Leong

- 14 (Tie) H. Narasimhan/W.  
Stuart  
(Tie) M. Ralph/W. Heid  
D. Shannon/D. Rothschild  
(B&C) C. Lazarovici/R. Pollak  
(B) F. McWilliams/E. Ruben  
(Tie-C) T. & D. Fiero  
(Tie-C) P. & X. Cheng  
21 (A&B) F. Gonzalez/L. Spaeth  
R. Ritz/R. Ng  
(C) D. & T. Fiero  
28 K. Humphrey/H. Farhi  
J. Rollin/A. Stagner

## Saturday

### One Club

- 1 (A,B&C) D. Tokaj/R.  
Wojtczuk  
T. Bowman/M. Moore  
(B&C) M. Wu/F. Bao  
8 L. Spaeth/K. Harper  
(B) N. Wang/P. Tsu  
(B&C) K. Lorimer/S. Thomas  
S. Green/D. Straus  
(A&B) S. Cook/G. Spinazze  
(C) R. Pollak/C. Lazarovici  
(A,B&C) R. Pollak/C.  
Lazarovici  
(A&B) M. Foes/K. Maxfield  
(C) D. Tokaj/R. Wojtczuk  
15 (A,B&C) R. Pollak/C.  
Lazarovici  
(A&B) M. Foes/K. Maxfield  
(C) D. Tokaj/R. Wojtczuk  
22 J. Flocks/R. Kilgren  
(B) C. Lazarovici/R. Pollak  
29 T. Moalem/C. Colvin  
(A&B) P. Chari/F. Miller  
(A&B) T. Fiero/M. Yancey  
(B&C) D. Kuo/C. Kwiatek

## Sunday

### Sunday Aft. BC

- 2 L. Corbetta/B. Sonsini  
(A&B) M. & T. Randolph  
(B) B. Kalafian/D. Sgolombis  
9 R. & J. Williams  
(B) M. Fleisher/K. Maxfield  
16 Unit Game  
23 (A&B) G. Williams/G.  
Bowling  
K. Nickerson/J. Williams  
(B) C. Karnos/F. Lubais  
30 (A&B) D. Kuo/C. Lazarovici  
B. Sonsini/J. Flocks  
(B) A. Cummings/W. Watson

\*Hand records provided  
\*\*Includes lesson and hand records  
with analysis

DAY	BRIDGE CLUB	TYPE	TIME	DIRECTOR(S)	PLACE
MON	Bridge Mix	Open/Strat.	11:00 a.m.	Kevin/Bonnie/Claire	
	Sherie's Monday Game	Open/Strat.	11:00 a.m.	Sherie Greenberg	
TUES	Tuesday Noon BC	Open/Strat.	12:00 p.m.	Walter Miller	Unity Church, YES Rm, 3391 Middlefield Rd, PA
	Alpine BC	Open/Strat.	12:00 p.m.	Cameron Cotton	
	Kevin's Tuesday Night BC	Open/Strat.	7:00 p.m.	Kevin O'Leary	Barometer 1st Tuesday of the month
WED	Sherie's Newcomer	<20 M.P.	10:00 a.m.	Sherie Greenberg	Lesson at 10:00; Bridge at 10:15
	Bridge 'n Brunch	Open/Strat.	11:00 a.m.	Sherie Greenberg	
	Wed Aft. 49er	<50 M.P.	1:00 p.m.	Walter Miller	Unity Church, YES Rm, 3391 Middlefield Rd, PA
	The Cotton Club	Open/Strat.	7:00 p.m.	Cameron Cotton	
THUR	Thur. Afternoon BC	Open/Strat.	12:00 p.m.	Beardsley/O'Leary	
	Sherie's BC	Open/Strat.	12:30 p.m.	Sherie Greenberg	4000 Middlefield Road, Auditorium, Palo Alto
	Beginning Bridge Lessons	Club Series	7:00 p.m.	Frank Smoot	
	Red Club	Open/Strat.	7:15 p.m.	Will Watson	
FRI	Easybridge!	<20 M.P.	9:00 a.m.	Carla Davis	
	Friday Morning BC	Open/Strat.	10:30 a.m.	Coleman/Van Zandt	
	Friday Night Barometer	Open/Strat.	7:30 p.m.	Coleman/Watson	
SAT	One Club	Open/Strat.	12:00 p.m.	Beardsley/O'Leary	
SUN	Sunday Afternoon BC	Open/Strat.	1:00 p.m.	Coleman/Watson	

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**Upcoming Events:**

**UNIT GAME AND PARTY, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 31, 8 P.M.**

Please bring finger food or hors d'oeuvre

Games scheduled, Thursday, January 1, Thurs. Aft. BC, Red Club  
 No game scheduled, Thursday, January 1, Sherie's BC  
 Regional, Monday, January 5-11 at Hyatt Regency Monterey  
 Sectional, Saturday, January 17, at Rec Ctr Handicapped, SF  
 Club championship, Monday, January 19, 11 a.m. Bridge Mix  
 Club champ., Mon., January 19, 11 a.m. Sherie's Monday Game  
 Club championship, Wed., January 21, 11 a.m., Bridge 'n Brunch  
 Club championship, Thursday, January 22, 12:30 p.m., Sherie's BC  
 Unit Unmixed Pairs, Sunday, January 25, 1 p.m.  
 Sectional, Saturday, January 24 at Hart Middle School, Pleasanton

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