



Kibitzer

Palo Alto Unit 503

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Mixed Pairs to Play Sunday, May 23

The Unit will host a Mixed Pairs game on Sunday, May 23 at 1 p.m. at the Bridge Center. It will replace the regular Sunday afternoon club game. Although unmixed pairs are welcome, only those who play as a mixed pair will receive overall point awards.

Guys and gals pick your partners for this Unit event. As usual, there will be hand records, name tags and a friendly environment for the enjoyment of all the participants.

STAC Games May 3-9

The biannual Western Conference Sectional Tournament at Clubs (STAC) is here again. All the clubs listed in the directory on the back page plan to sponsor STAC events the week of May 3. Here's the chance to "stac" up those masterpoints, because the awards are especially generous. And for those who wish for those shiny silver ones, you can get them right here at the local clubs.

The stratification is Strata C: 0-300 masterpoints, Strata B: 300-750, Strata A: 750+. All players, no matter their ranking, look forward to the good and exciting competition at STAC games, so plan now for lots of playing. Obviously, the more you play, the better the chances for bigger point stacks.

Newcomers

A warm welcome to new Palo Alto Unit 503 members David Blondeau, Reeta Gheewala, Gregory Haardt, Geeske Joel, Rein Lulk Annette Rado and Margo Seymour. Hello, to Edgar Andrews and Deborah Romani, who have transferred into our Unit.

Fireworks Forecast in Palo Alto—July 1-5

Will you be there? Have you set up your schedule? Who are you playing with? Players are now starting to talk. What's the excitement? Yes, that special time is fast approaching for all bridge players. Before you know it, the Palo Alto Firecracker Sectional will be here! The tournament starts Thursday evening July 1 and concludes in the early evening on Monday, July 5

Rickey's Hyatt, the site of the 2003 tourney, scored a slam and we'll be back there again this year. The chair, Gloria Leitstein and her assistant, Bernadine Donoghue, have named the committee heads, set up the game schedule and made final arrangements with Rickey's.

There will be a variety of games to choose from - Stratified Open Pairs, Intermediate/Novice Pairs, Bracketed Knockout Teams and Stratified-Flighted Open Swiss Teams. Select from morning, afternoon and evening start times on Thursday, July 1 through Monday, July 5. Every day has single session pair games on the schedule with the Bracketed KO play set for Friday and Saturday and the popular Swiss Teams on the final Monday. There will be separate events for the under-200 crowd with each I/N pair event stratified so everyone has a chance to win!

As in the past, play will end early on July 4, to allow players to celebrate the holiday with their family and friends. As an innovation, players will have the option to select from three sessions available to them on Saturday at 10 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Bridge addicts with lots of stamina can even play in all three!

The Unit will publish the complete game schedule in the June *Kibitzer*. Now, there is plenty of time for talk, but the time for bridge enjoyment at the Palo Alto Firecracker is almost here.

Goulash

- Unit Swiss: Tournament chair, Carla Davis and the Board appreciate the help of Gene Drew, who assisted at the Under 100MP team flight and Alan Cummings who served as a volunteer partner .
- *Kibitzer* Mailing: The Board voted to continue to mail the Kibitzer to approved members. This nullifies the previous vote made to charge for this service.
- Bidding Boxes: Bridge Center players are admiring the new bidding box cards - 30 sets. Thanks go to Claire Coleman for procuring them. And a special appreciation to those who made financial donations - Mei Wu, Caroline Macey, Pat McFerren, the Singhs, Iona and Victor Galis and Dave Bernstein.
- Spring Cleaning: More and special thanks to Claire Coleman for her efforts at the Bridge Center
- Ace-Mini: The Unit has posted the 2004 Ace of Clubs and Mini McKenny race standings as of March 31 on the Bridge Center bulletin board.

Results—March 21 Unit Swiss Game

1	P. Cornelius/T. Moalem/G. Porter/P. Saunders
2	R. & J. Williams/M. Chin Chen//A. Cummings
3/4/5	J. Flocks/B. Sonsini/L. Spaeth/D. Wheeler
3/4/5	D. Halden/J. Franke/J. Brandon/A. Mollard
3/4/5	C. Davis/E. Tanck/L. Frost/C. Hanel
(100 MP)	C. Woodward/N. Nilson/J. Janetos/M. Baird

2003 Financial Report

Unit 503		Palo Alto Bridge Center	
Income:		Income:	
Firecracker	\$ 6808	Rent	71703
Membership	2081	Supplies fee	3199
Unit Games	872	Beverage fee	506
Education	1160	Total Income	\$75,408
Other	901	Expenses:	
Total Income	\$11,822	Rent	61940
Expenses:		Insurance inc, in Unit	
Insurance	2459	Supplies	1600
Kibitzer	2184	Trash	1981
Education	1635	Janitorial	6564
Total Expenses	6278	Janitorial supplies	67
Income/Loss	\$ 5,544	Telephone	533
		Total Expenses	\$72,685



Ernst Jacobi died on St. Patrick's Day at age 89. I met him in 1997 soon after he and his wife, Elly, moved here from Switzerland to be near family.

Most people know that Ernst was a superb player who represented Switzerland for many years. He was also a chemist, a tennis and ice hockey buff and an accomplished musician.

For those of us who learned from him, he was a most gentle teacher.

I loved him and will miss him very much.

Lori Spaeth

Cornelius Team Captures Swiss Title

At the Unit Swiss Teams held March 21, the team of Paul Cornelius, Tania Moalem, Gary Porter and Pru Saunders topped 10 other teams with 4 wins, followed by the Williams team in second. The title for the top team in the field of four in the Under 100 MP flight went to Carol Woodward, Nadia Nilsson, Jane Janetos and Mavis Baird. Look for the names of other teams in the overalls elsewhere on this page.

Membership Meeting Rescheduled

The Unit will hold its annual Membership Meeting on Sunday, April 25 at the Bridge Center at 1 p.m., prior to the Unit Charity Game. This is a change from the original date, March 21.

Sympathy

The Unit officers and members extend their sincere condolences to the families and friends of Ruth Nelson and Ernst Jacobi who passed away in March.

March 2004 Winners' Circle

Individual game results are at: <http://www.accesscom.com/~unit503/gameresults.html>



Monday

Bridge Mix

- 1 H. Solleder/R. Kilgren
(BC) G. Herrick/P. Tsu
D. Bernstein/A. Oliff
(B) M. Van Tamelen/J. Von Gehr
(C) M. Orelove/J. Samuels
8 M. Mackinnon/M. O'Malley
(B) A. & B. Singh
M. Coy/P. Galligan
(BC) P. Kueffer/M. Petersen
15 M. Berg/M. Hafezi
(AB) D. Richerson/R. Heller
L. Spaeth/P. Chambers
(B) M. Orelove/J. Samuels
22 M. Berg/D. Wheeler
(AB) B. Hirsekorn/M. Troster
(AB) J. Tseng/E. Chen
29 T. Bowman/M. Van Tamelen
(BC) J. & M. Williams
A. Mollard/D. Hornback
(BC) S. Barasch/D. Armstrong

Sherie's Monday Game

- 1 J. Keehan/L. Lettis
M. Wu/F. Bao
8 J. McCullough/J. Rose
S. Atkinson/J. Hornback
15 M. & S. Sterngold
F. Bao/M. Wu
22 S. Greenberg/M. Muller
(ABC) N. Cadwell/N. Nilsson
S. Maisel/R. Pollak
(ABC) G. Williams/J. McCullough
29 T. Bowman/M. Van Tamelen
(BC) J. & M. Williams
A. Mollard/D. Hornback
(BC) S. Barasch/D. Armstrong

Tuesday

Alpine BC

- 2 (AB) N. Evans/N. Rodgers
(C) D. Duncan/C. Binasiak
F. Parsons/S. Cook
(BC) P. Kueffer/L. Frye
G. Herrick/T. Bowman
(B) M. Condon/M. Sterngold
G. Yang/B. Chu
(B) W. Pomeroy/G. Skidmore
F. Dickman/H. Bennett
(BC) D. Peacock/E. Hornung
S. Cook/F. Parsons
(BC) B. Leonard/E. Beckwith
(AB) F. Miller/E. Yanklowitz
(ABC) M. Marx/R. Lachman
S. Greenberg/A. Templeton
(BC) H. Sung/B. Hsu
(C) J. Leaver/M. Smith
16 P. Chambers/G. Leitstein
(B) P. Gross/E. Yanklowitz
J. Flocks/E. Herrmann
(B) N. Pappas/S. O'Donnell
(BC) B. Baxter/M. Diamond
(AB) M. Fikes/D. Shannahan
(BC) M. Marx/R. Lachman
M. Hafezi/T. Bowman
(BC) S. Liebhaber/J. Girand
(AB) R. Lachman/C. Weiler
23 (C) D. Duncan/C. Binasiak
P. Saunders/R. Stolee
(ABC) D. Chang/B. Chu

- 30 L. Spaeth/R. Stolee
(AB) K. Shaw/P. Tsu
(C) D. Wheeler/P. Kueffer
P. & R. Chambers
(BC) C. Lane/M. Goodman
F. Miller/B. Olmo
(AB) L. Prim/B. Liddicoat
(C) M. Howe/M. Orelove
(Tie-AB) L. Weiss/S. Thomas
(Tie-AB) M. Moutoux/A. Pagin

Tuesday Noon BC

- 2 D. Hornback/A. Mollard
(B) E. Tromovitch/S. Barasch
F. Bao/R. Smadi
(B) S. Hollon/C. Segal
(C) M. Soltz/R. Lewis
(AB) G. Williams/A. Wolman
(C) H. Harris/E. Schmitt
R. Jacobs/A. Gerben
(BC) J. Stuart-Smith/J. Ford
(AB) E. Tromovitch/A. Soares
(C) H. Harris/E. Schmitt
(ABC) B. & J. Stern
9 D. Hornback/B. Liddicoat
(BC) R. & S. Rajendran
D. Halden/J. Franke
(B) M. Partney/T. Anderson
(C) D. Jones/B. Durey
M. Thomson/O. Tangney
(B) B. & C. Johnson
(AB) D. Kelley/N. Mohler
(AB) A. Soares/J. Dammann
(C) H. Harris/E. Schmitt
(AB) F. Charney/J. McNeil
(C) K. Cano/D. Niemann
(ABC) H. Harris/E. Schmitt
E. & M. Muller

- 23 (B) J. Bower/M. Payne
E. Edwards/A. Robertson
(Tie-B) A. Soares/T. Stevens
(Tie-BC) B. & L. Berg
J. Keehan/E. Kates
(B) D. Kelley/N. Mohler
(C) G. Joel/C. Tutko
30 L. Mattis/A. Soares
(BC) L. Whelan/M. Soltz
J. Keehan/E. Kates
(B) A. Story/R. Jastremski
(C) A. Chausse/J. Rynne
(AB) C. & R. Johnson
(C) A. Gaudie/E. Schmidt
(AB) D. Kelley/N. Mohler
(C) F. & M. Rappaport

Under 200 Bridge Club Combined with Noon BC

Tuesday Night BC*

- 2 C. Bjorklund/E. Barlow
(B) T. Scharf/F. Gonzalez
(AB) L. Wagner/W. Bidermann
9 C. Bjorklund/E. Barlow
(B) P. Kamas/R. Haines
M. Brabb/M. Moore
(AB) B. Tofighrad/H. Bailey
16 J. Harpothian/R. Ipswitch
(BC) F. Gonzalez/T. Scharf
J. O'Neil/J. Schoenbrun
(BC) R. Haines/C. Tataru
(ABC) B. Tofighrad/R. Thomas
23 E. Tanck/L. Spaeth
(BC) I. & V. Galis
30 P. Kamas/L. Frost
M. Brabb/M. Moore

Wednesday

Bridge N Brunch

- 3 L. Spaeth/E. Tanck
D. Wheeler/R. Chambers
P. & R. Chambers
10 J. Flocks/F. Parsons
N. Nazari/G. Simpson
17 S. Blum/H. Bennett
24 D. Allison/A. Lam
D. Hornback/A. Mollard
31 T. Moalem/M. Hafezi
(B) W. Russell/J. Williams
(AB) W. Pomeroy/D. Wheeler
(BC) D. Hornback/A. Mollard

Wed. Aft. 49er**

- 3 J. Poppo/J. Yelland
J. Julian/N. Rude
10 G. Borling/R. Jastremski
J. Newman/R. Ward
17 J. Schwartz/N. Rude
D. Dunlap/D. Peterson
24 M. Payne/A. Wolman
J. & R. Smith
31 B. Scheidtman/R. Gleitsch
B. & W. Sturtevant

Cotton Club

- 3 (AB) D. Allison/A. Lam
(C) I. & V. Galis
S. Cagnina/J. Stanczak
(B) J. Beck/C. Riffle
(C) J. Ohme/H. Bailey
10 (AB) F. Gonzalez/C. Tataru
(BC) M. Harris/R. Bestock
H. Cutting/P. Vevera
(BC) R. Thomas/B. Tofighrad
(Tie) L. Spaeth/D. Wheeler
(Tie-AB) S. Malek/J. Mrazek
(C) D. Stowell/J. Samuels
S. Cagnina/J. Stanczak
(ABC) J. Parks/L. Lettis
(AB) S. Malek/J. Mrazek
J. & R. Williams
(B) P. Kueffer/V. Blume
(BC) J. Parks/L. Lettis
31 P. McFerren/B. Tofighrad
(AB) A. & D. Foti
(BC) F. Lubais/C. Lazarovici
(ABC) L. Lettis/J. Parks

Thursday

Sherie's BC

- 4 J. Sogg/C. Kwiatek
D. Foti/F. Omori
J. Adamiak/E. Gove
S. Atkinson/D. Armstrong
11 B. Donoghue/C. Weiler
E. Barlow/M. Wu
J. Franke/B. Liddicoat
T. Hall/D. Holden
18 B. Liddicoat/A. Mollard
A. Elliot/J. Chien
C. Woodward/N. Nilsson
R. & A. Rice
25 H. Macdonell/M. Troster
H. Sung/L. Kelly
N. Sicotte/R. Lynch
T. Hall/D. Halden

Thursday Aft. BC

- 4 (Tie-ABC) A. & B. Singh
(Tie) M. Brabb/R. Kilgren
J. Flocks/E. Herrmann
(B) M. O'Conner/F. Phillips
(C) M. Orelove/K. Shaw

- 11 (AB) G. Wheeler/I. Lee
(C) I. Bar-Nir/R. O'Brien
S. Blum/T. Bowman
(B) N. Rodgers/B. Purchase
(C) B. Baxter/M. Diamond
18 C. Brigham/M. Thompson
(B) B. Ross/M. Sterngold
(ABC) C. Lane/M. Goodman
25 (AB) I. Bar-Nir/R. O'Brien
(AB) J. Tseng/M. Chen

Red Club Unavailable

Friday

Easy Bridge

- 5 G. Stark/U. Summey
12 G. Wilson/T. Tanner
R. Johnson/C. Stone
19 G. Stark/C. Stone
M. Williams/S. Huch
26 M. Williams/S. Huch
(Tie) G. Tanner/D. Magay
(Tie) B. Dayharsh/A. Munger

Friday Morning BC

- 5 R. Singer/M. Hafezi
(B) J. Weiss/M. Chen
(AB) G. Spinazze/L. Yokel
12 M. Yates/B. Beardley
P. & R. Chambers
(B) R. Singer/R. Rajendran
(B) G. Spinazze/L. Yokel
19 (AB) D. Gambelin/D. Fiero
(AB) G. Herrick/D. Wheeler
(AB) D. Wheeler/G. Herrick
(AB) J. Von Gehr/A. Arnold

Friday Evening BC

- 5 S. Kodayam/D. Dang
(AB) M. Cailean/B. Ritz
(BC) F. Gonzalez/C. Tataru
(C) P. & X. Cheng
12 S. Kodayam/D. Dang
(AB) S. Goodgold/J. Hoffman
(B) C. Hanel/L. Frost
(C) R. Ciszek/V. Vidwans
I. & V. Galis
19 (AB) M. Robichek/G. Porter
(ABC) D. & T. Fiero
(C) T. Shafer/F. Gonzalez
(AB) K. O'Leary/P. Kamas
(AB) L. Cicolani/B. McCloy
(C) S. Wicka/K. Nedeltchev

Saturday

One Club

- 6 T. Moalem/C. Colvin
(AB) L. Lane/M. Adams
R. & J. Williams
13 (AB) P. Tsu/N. Wang
20 T. Moalem/C. Colvin
(B) F. Miller/R. Singer
W. Watson/B. Sonsini
(B) M. Petersen/P. Kueffer
27 (AB) L. Mattis/E. Edwards

Sunday

Sunday Aft. BC

- 7 M. Larkin/N. Honda
S. Greenberg/L. Frye
(B) A. & B. Singh
(B) A. & F. Carlson
14 F. Lubais/C. Lazarovici
21 Unit Game
28 M. Ballinger/D. Vaughn
S. Greenberg/L. Frye

*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	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	Heart 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.	Claire Coleman	
	Friday Night Barometer	Open/Strat.	7:30 p.m.	Claire Coleman	
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:

Sectional, Friday, April 30 at Community Center, Orangevale

STAC Week, Monday, May 3-Sunday, May 9 - all clubs

Sectional, Thursday, May 13 at Bridge Center, Fort Ord

Sectional, Saturday, May 24, Marin Catholic HS, Greenbrae

Unit Mixed Pairs, Sunday, May 23, 1 p.m.

Regional, Monday, May 26-31 at Doubletree Hotel, Sacramento

NEXT BOARD MEETING
 Tuesday, May 4, at 3:45 p.m.
 Bridge Center

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c/o Jim Turner

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