



## SPRING SECTIONAL

Battle for bridge supremacy at the Spring Sectional Bridge Tournament on **April 13th, 14th, 15th, 2012**. The tournament will be held at GR Pearkes Rec Centre at 3100 Tillicum Road. Games start at 1pm and 7pm on Friday, 12pm and 6pm on Saturday, and team games start at 9:30am on Sunday. The cost is \$10 per session for ACBL members (\$11 for non-members) except on Sunday where the cost for the two-session team games is \$80 per team (\$88 for non-members).

New players are encouraged to come out on Friday when there will be two sessions for players with under 200 master points. ACBL players with fewer than 5 master points play for free and medals will be awarded to the winners of all three stratifications. There are generous silver points for players throughout the three days, so see you there!

For further information, please email The Tournament Chair, Ele Gibson, at [egibson@dragonhearth.com](mailto:egibson@dragonhearth.com) and to find a partner, email Leslie Wood at [leslie.wood@shaw.ca](mailto:leslie.wood@shaw.ca)

**Please note that lunch will not be provided on Sunday and instead of hospitality on Saturday night, Unit 431 will be providing free coffee and muffins etc before the game on Sunday.**



### **SPECIAL CBF CHARITY GAME AT THE SECTIONAL**

There will be a special CBF charity game on Friday evening, April 13th, in the open sections only with 40% extra silver points awarded. An extra dollar will be charged to players. It will go towards the CBF charity fund.

### **ROAST BEEF DINNER OR BURGER AND BEER**



One of the members of Unit 431 has an interest in the Howard Johnson Hotel restaurant on Gorge Road and has negotiated a great deal for us. On Friday and Saturday between the games, the restaurant will offer a roast beef buffet with coffee or a burger and beer - both for the great price of \$10.

# ANNUAL MEETING OF UNIT 431

## ACE OF CLUBS WINNERS( MP's won in club games) AND MINI MCKENNEY RACE mp's won in all games)

point bracket Ace of Clubs		Mini-McKenney
0 – 5	Kim Imada	Frank Martin
5 – 20	Maureen Trappe	Maureen Trappe
20 – 50	Karen Wood	Susan Foley
50 – 100	Neville Hircock	Andrea Miller
100 – 200	Nicole Dupuis	Nicole Dupuis
200 – 300	Suzanne Reed	Suzanne Reed
300 – 500	Danielle Goulet	Danielle Goulet
500 – 1000	Roy Sadd	Roy Sadd
1000 – 2500	Virginia Youens	Mike Dickie
2500 – 5000	Ernie Tradewell	Ernie Tradewell
5000 – 7000	Brian Fraser	Brian Fraser
7500 – 10000	Rhonda Foster	Gerry McCully
10000 +	Duncan Smith	Doug Fraser



Paul D'Orban receives his trophy for winning the Individual Matchpoint Game held after the Annual Meeting. Ten tables were in play.



Winners in the McKenney/  
Ace of Clubs Races

L to R: Roy Sadd, Danielle Goulet, Neville Hircock and Duncan Smith



## FOR NEWER PLAYERS

### ACE OF HEARTS TOURNAMENT

There were 24 tables for the pairs event in the morning, and 18 tables for the Swiss team event in the afternoon - a record turnout! Merv Adey was the director. Winners of the Morning Pairs were Wendy Gregory and Sheryl Sametz from Duncan and Swiss Team winners were Ken Ebbs-Canavan, Paul Van Bergen, Bonnie Putt and Kenneth Putt from Sooke. (Pictured below)



### MENTOR GAMES

Unit 431 is pleased to sponsor mentor games each month to help newer players improve their game by playing with a more experienced player. In addition, before each game there is a free lesson by Ernie Tradewell.

- All games are held on a **Sunday, starting at 1:00 p.m. (lesson at 12:30) at the Victoria Bridge Centre.**
- Each partnership participating will have one Mentor and one Mentee
- To be eligible for masterpoints, the mentee must have fewer than 300 masterpoints
- The Mentee pays \$8.00. The Mentor plays for free (courtesy of Unit 431)
- If the Mentee has more than 300 masterpoints, the partnership can still play but will not be eligible for masterpoints and both players must pay the \$8.00 fee.
- If you need a partner, please contact Alison Campbell (250) 391-0662, or email: [alleyoop@shaw.ca](mailto:alleyoop@shaw.ca)

### Next games:

March 11th, April 1st, May 6th, June 3rd, July 8th, August 12th, September 16th, October 14th, November 4th & December 2nd



### NEWCOMERS' GAME

On Sunday, May 20 at 1pm at Victoria Bridge Centre, a game will be held for newer players to bridge.

This annual event is open to all players under 100MP's. The cost is only \$2 for ACBL members and \$8 for non-ACBL members. Coffee, pop and light snacks will be available at no cost.

Please join us at this enjoyable event.

For more information, call Ele at (250)391-5511.



Unit President, Ted Eisner, thanks Alison Campbell for organizing the Mentor Games. There were 16 tables at the February Mentor Game.



# UNIT 431 BRIDGE CLUBS' NEWS

## CAPITAL CITY BRIDGE CLUB

Lakehill Bowling Club, 3930 LaSalle St  
 email: info@capitalcitybridgeclub.com. website: www.capitalcitybridgeclub.com

### Weekly Schedule

Wednesday 6:45pm - Open Stratified Game.  
 Lesson at 6:30pm  
 Thursday 12:45pm - Open Stratified Game  
 Friday 9:15am - Open Stratified Game

**Rubber Bridge** Monday 9:30am - Entry Fee \$5 per person

## MONTEREY BRIDGE CLUB

1442 Monterey Avenue (just off Oak Bay Avenue)  
 Home:(778)433-5649 Cell: (250)744-2694 email: kbillett49@shaw.ca

Tuesday 12:30pm This game is suitable for those interested in a less challenging game. Have lunch first and enjoy delicious home-cooked meals in the cafeteria.

Saturday 12:15 pm The cafeteria only opens at 2:00

## LEADER'S BRIDGE CLUB

St Aidan's Church  
 email: .loren@lorenleader.com.  
 website: www.lorenleader.com

Monday 12:15pm - Open Stratified Game - predealt hands and hand records  
 Lesson with Kirk Homis at 11:30am  
 Wednesday 9:30am - Open Stratified Game  
 Thursday 12:15pm - Open Stratified Game  
 Lesson with Duncan Smith - 11:30am  
 Second Thurs of Month is a team game.

## VBC - YOUR BRIDGE CLUB

880D Esquimalt Rd.  
 (250)382-2913.  
 email: victoriabridgecentre@telus.net.  
 website: www.victoriabridgecentre.com

Monday	7:00pm	Team of Eight Teams of mixed levels of experience)
Tuesday:	12:15pm	Open Pairs (Seniors 55+ get a \$2 discount) - hand records
	6:45pm	Non Life Master Pairs - hand records
Wednesday	7:00pm	Open Pairs - hand records
Thursday	9:30am	Non Life Mater Pairs - hand records
Friday	12:15pm	Open Pairs - hand records
	7:00pm	Open Pairs - hand records
Saturday	12:15pm	Under 500 pairs - hand records
	7:00pm	Monthly Swiss Teams or Monthly Party Pairs
Sunday	1:00pm	Swiss Teams
	1:00pm	Monthly Mentor Games

### UNIT 431 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT
Ted Eisner	Ele Gibson
TREASURER	SECRETARY
Gail Richardson	Karen Wood
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Leslie Wood	
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## BRIDGE LESSONS

Winter/Spring 2012 Bridge Courses with Delma Murray

ACBL Accredited 4 Star Bridge Teacher & Director ----- Better Bridge Accredited Teacher  
American Bridge Teachers Association Professional Member & Regional Director for Western Canada

**For further information contact Delma Murray at 250 388-9784 or email [delmabridge@live.ca](mailto:delmabridge@live.ca)**

### In Sidney

Doubles	4 Wednesdays 9-11:30am	Start May 2	Greenglade
Basic Bidding Brush Up	4 Wednesdays 1-3:30am	Start May 2	Greenglade

Greenglade Community Centre is located at 2151 Lannon Way in North Saanich. You can register in person at Panorama Recreation Centre, by phone at (250)656-7271 or online at [www.panoramarecreation.ca](http://www.panoramarecreation.ca).

### In Oak Bay

Bridge Beginner (Club Series)	9 Tuesdays 9:30-12 noon 7-9pm	Start May 1	Monterey Centre
Play of the Hand (Diamond Series)	9 Tuesdays 1-3:30pm 9 Wednesdays 7-9pm	Start May 1  Start May 2	Monterey Centre
Defence (Heart Series)	8 Mondays 7-9pm	Start April 30	Monterey Centre
Modern Conventions for the 21st century - part 1	8 Thursdays 9:30-noon	Start May 3	Monterey Centre
Modern Conventions for the 21st century - part 2	8 Thursdays 1:30-3:30pm	Start May 3	Monterey Centre
Two Over One	4 Thursdays 7-9pm 4 Wednesdays 1-3:20pm	Start May 3  Start May 30	Monterey Centre  Monterey Centre
Basic Bidding Brushup	4 Wednesdays 9:30-noon 4 Thursdays 7-9pm 4 mornings	Start May 30  Start May 31  Aug 13-16	Monterey Centre

Monterey Centre is located at 1442 Monterey Ave .

You can register in person at Monterey Centre or by phone at (250)370-7300



# BRIDGE QUIZZES

## 1. Dealer N

North  
 ♠ Q5  
 ♥ J  
 ♦ KQ1084  
 ♣ KQJ93

South  
 ♠ K973  
 ♥ AQ10  
 ♦ 963  
 ♣ A52

N	E	S	W
1♦	1♠	3NT	

Lead - The heart 3. You play the Jack and the ten, East following with the two. How do you play?

## 3. Dealer N. Matchpoint scoring

North  
 ♠ AQ7  
 ♥ 42  
 ♦ AQ64  
 ♣ J983

South  
 ♠ J10954  
 ♥ AQ63  
 ♦ K9  
 ♣ AK

N	E	S	W
-	-	1♠	PASS
2♣*	PASS	2♥	PASS
2♠	PASS	3♠**	PASS
3♦	PASS	4NT	PASS
5♠***	PASS	6♠	

\* Game force

\*\* Extras

\*\*\* 2 keycards and the trump queen

Lead diamond 7

## 2. Dealer N

East

♠ AJ6  
 ♥ 1094  
 ♦ KQJ4  
 ♣ 986

South

♠ 92  
 ♥ AQJ8762  
 ♦ 87  
 ♣ 87

N	E	S	W
-	-	-	1♠
PASS	2♦	2♥	PASS
PASS	2♠	PASS	3♠
PASS			

Lead the heart 5. Plan the defence.

## 4. Dealer W matchpoints scoring

North  
 ♠ 9543  
 ♥ K1065  
 ♦ J83  
 ♣ 87

South  
 ♠ AQJ1076  
 ♥ AJ9  
 ♦ Q  
 ♣ AK10

N	E	S	W
-	-	-	PASS
PASS	PASS	1♠	PASS
2♠	pass	4♠	



Opening lead - the diamond 10



## NEW WEBSITE FOR UNIT 431

Ted Eisner, President of Unit 431, unveiled the new Unit website at the Annual General Meeting on February 12, 2012.

Please bookmark the new site at <http://www.d19.org/victoria/>. The website is on a new platform hosted by District 19, and we wish to express our sincere thanks to the D19 webmaster, Randy Corn, for all his assistance.

### New to this website:

- \* A "What's New" page to be updated weekly
- \* Job descriptions for the Unit 431 board of directors
- \* Minutes of all board meetings

This website is for the members of Unit 431. All contributions, comments and suggestions are welcome and should be sent to the webmaster at [Leslie.Wood@shaw.ca](mailto:Leslie.Wood@shaw.ca).

## JOIN THE ACBL

There are many advantages to becoming a member of the ACBL. As well as having oyu Masterpoints registered, you pay lower card fees at ACBL tournaments. Every month an informative magazine, tthe "Bridge Bulletin is mailed to you andas members of Unit 431, you obtain a daytimer with an insert of a list of members of the Unit.

The "Bridge Buzz' will be published 3 times annually: before each Sectional and before the Christmas party. I invite all of you to submit articles of interest - interesting hands, player news etc.

Please contact me at [egibson@dragonhearth.com](mailto:egibson@dragonhearth.com).

Ele Gibson

## PLAYER NEWS

### REGIONAL AND NATIONAL SUCCESSES

♣ **Duncan Smith** partnered with **Debbie Mineault** and **Ted Heck** partnered with **Bob Flitton** competed in Seattle in the North American Open Bridge Championships. 298 high-ranked two-person teams from across the world entered the competition. Entries included champion players from more than a dozen nations and probably 20 of the current top 25 players in the U.S, including the Number 1 and Number 2 U.S. Bermuda Bowl teams. The two Victoria teams made the cut after the first day when the field was reduced from 298 to 130 and placed in the middle of the group. Great results, earning all four players difficult to obtain platinum points. Well done!

♦ **Sandra and Doug Fraser** came second in the Senior Mixed Pairs in the Seattle Nationals.

♥ **Brian Fraser, Ewa Zwicky, Danielle Goulet and Tony Farr** met with great success in the Hawaii Regional in January. They all came back with about 45 points each.

### IN MEMORIAM

Three members of our Unit passed away in 2011 and one earlier this year.

David Booth  
Geoffrey Hadley  
Randy Johnson  
Jean Taylor



## ANSWERS TO BRIDGE QUIZZES

1. West leads the heart 3 and E plays the 2 indicating probably 3 hearts. Hence W must have started with 6 hearts but did not open a weak two. He must have less than six points, therefore cannot have either missing Ace.

The full hand

	North	
	♠ Q5	
	♥ J	
West	♦ KQ1084	East
♠ J10	♣ KQJ93	♠ A8642
♥ K87653		♥ 942
♦ 52	South	♦ AJ7
♣ 874	♠ K973	♣ 106
	♥ AQ10	
	♦ 963	
	♣ A52	

2. Since the opponents didn't bid game, your partner must have some stuff and the heart 5 looks awfully like a singleton. If he had had 3 he may have supported you and with 2 he would have led a high one. You take the Ace of hearts but before returning one to ruff, you cash your Ace of clubs, hoping he has the club king and can give you a ruff. Alternately you could play a low heart for him to ruff, but why take the guesswork out of it.

The full hand

	North	
	♠ Q4	
	♥ 5	
West	♦ 106532	East
♠ K108753	♣ KJ432	♠ AJ6
♥ K3		♥ 109
♦ A9	South	♦ KQJ4
♣ Q105	♠ 92	♣ 986
	♥ AQJ8762	
	♦ 87	
	♣ A7	

3. At first glance it looks like you need both the spade and heart finesses to work to make 7. But do you? Win the diamond lead with the King and lead the spade Jack and let it run. Cash the King and Ace of Clubs, then play a spade to the Queen. Ruff a club and play a spade to the Ace. Cash the club Jack and the Diamond Ace and Queen, discarding hearts. West can ruff in but he is forced to lead from his heart King.

The full hand

	North	
	♠ AQ7	
	♥ 42	
East	♦ AQ64	West
♠ K832	♣ J983	♠ 6
♥ K105		♥ J987
♦ 73	South	♦ J10852
♣ 10654	♠ J10954	♣ Q72
	♥ AQ63	
	♦ K9	
	♣ AK	

4. East wins his King of diamonds and cannot continue the suit without your ruffing and your Jack being established for a discard. East has shown up with the King and Ace of diamonds. With the spade King he may have opened in 3rd seat so it looks like the finesses is off. Who knows, you may fell a singleton King!

Do you have to rely on the heart finesse and which way will you take it? No problem. You play the Ace and King of clubs and ruff a club. Then a spade to the Ace and exit a spade. West wins and has to lead a heart to you or establish a diamond for a heart discard.

The full hand

	North	
	♠ 9543	
	♥ K106	
West	♦ J83	East
♠ K2	♣ 87	♠ 8
♥ 83		♥ Q742
♦ 1097542	South	♦ AK6
♣ Q32	♠ AQ4	♣ J9654
	♥ 109643	
	♦ A4	
	♣ J102	

