



Pensacola Duplicate Bridge Club Newsletter *Issue 2016 -1: February 2016*

Changes in Rank

Gold Life Master
Larry Westholm

Silver Life Master
Billy Sanders

Bronze Life Master
Alexa Canady-Davis

Life Master
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NABC Master
Jean Askew

Club Master
J. Jody Craney
Judy Jasmyn
Jim Whittington

Sectional Master
Mary Chase
Jean Coggins

Junior Master
Patti Hawthorne

From Your President

Welcome to the start of 2016. We have already seen a number of large games that is always a joy although the 299 Thursday section is holding on with a thin thread and needs more support if it is to continue. A new Gold Life Master adds to the club's luster as Larry Westholm won his last fraction of a point for Gold Life Master at Biloxi. It was nice to see a number of our club members there as well as in Fort Walton Beach. If we want other clubs to support our tournaments, we must support theirs also.

The New Year also brings a new card in your bidding boxes: the ZT or Zero Tolerance card. If anything at the bridge table makes you uncomfortable, whip it out and set it in the middle of the table. If that is not sufficient to stop the behavior, call the director. Speaking of directors, we spend a lot of time talking about the importance of simple courtesy at the bridge table, yet we often fail to extend the same courtesies to the directors of the game. We need to correct that and show appreciation for the efforts that they put in especially on the days with large two section games. Also, remember the director is the director and if you are asked to be reseated to balance the game--unless you have a physical disability that does not allow it--you should comply.

Many people have stepped up to help with the work of the club, especially duplicating boards, and their efforts are greatly appreciated but everyone needs to look around the activities of the club and decide where they can be most helpful. It is a club. Everyone's help is needed to make it work. We are still looking for Chairmen for the July and November tournaments this year. Deborah Goul has graciously agreed to chair the March Tournament. This is our last 3-tournament year. After this year, we will have tournaments in March and November so let's make it a great year for our tournaments that provide the income that allows for unexpected expenses of the club.

Let's all work together and have a great 2016. I, for one, am proud to be a member of this club.

Alexa Canady-Davis

70% Games

Bill Foley & JoAnn Coulter	PDBC	73.96%	11/16/15
J. Jody Craney & Patti Hawthorne	PDBC	71.99%	01/25/16

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Upcoming Tournaments

Within a 6-hour drive

Sectional

**Jacksonville, FL
February 5-7**

Sectional

**Gulf Shores, AL
February 12-14**

Sectional (IN)

**St. Augustine, FL
February 17-18**

Sectional

**Roswell (Atlanta), GA
February 24-28**

Sectional

**Tallahassee, FL
February 26-28**

Sectional

**Hattiesburg, MS
February 26-28**

Regional

**Birmingham, AL
February 29-March 6**

Sectional

**Gainesville, FL
March 3-5**

Sectional

**Gulfport, MS
March 11-13**

Sectional

**Macon, GA
March 11-13**

Sectional

**Pensacola, FL
March 18-20**

Sectional

**Baton Rouge, LA
March 31-April 3**

Sectional

**Metairie, LA
April 15-17**

Sectional

**Montgomery, AL
April 28-May 1**

Upcoming Special Games at PDBC

Wednesday, February 3: Open & 99er Club Championship

Monday, February 8: Open & 299er Unit Championship
Lundi Gras Party & Lunch

Wednesday, February 10: BOD Meeting 4:15pm

Thursday, February 11: Open & 299er Club Championship

Friday, February 12: Open & 199er ACBL Charity Game

Sunday, February 14: Open Club Championship

Wednesday, February 17: Open & 99er Local Charity

Saturday, February 20: Open & 299er Unit Championship
Floyd Lemox Heart Fund Party

Monday, February 22: Open & 299er ACBL Charity

Thursday, February 25: Open & 299er Local Charity

Friday, February 26: Open & 199er Club Championship

Sunday, February 28: Open ACBL Charity

Monday, February 29: Open & 299er Club Championship

Wednesday, March 2: Open & 99er Local Charity

Friday, March 4: Open & 199er GNT Fundraiser

Sunday, March 6: Open GNT Fundraiser

Monday, March 7: Open & 299er Unit 219 STaC

Wednesday, March 9: Open & 99er Unit 219 STaC

Wednesday, March 10, BOD Meeting 4:15pm

Thursday, March 10: Open & 299er Unit 219 STaC

Friday, March 11: Open & 199er Unit 219 STaC

Sunday March 13: Open Unit 219 STaC

PDBC Sectional Tournament at PSC: March 18-20, 2016

Monday March 21: Open & 299er ACBL Charity

Wednesday, March 23: Open & 99er GNT Fundraiser

Thursday, March 24: Open & 299er GNT Fundraiser

Friday, March 25: Open & 199er Local Charity

Sunday, March 27: Open ACBL Charity

Monday, March 28: Open & 299er GNT Fundraiser

Thursday, March 31: Open & 299er, Local Charity

Friday, April 1: Open & 299er Unit Championship

April Fools' Day Charity Party

Monday, April 4: Open & 299er ACBL Charity

Thursday, April 7: Open & 299er Local Charity

Friday, April 8: Open & 199er ACBL Charity

Sunday, April 10: Open Local Charity

Wednesday, April 13: Open & 99er ACBL Charity

Wednesday, April 13: BOD Meeting 4:15pm

Friday, April 15: Open & 199er Local Charity

Saturday, April 16: Swiss Team GNT Fundraiser

Monday, April 18: Open & 299er ACBL Charity

Thursday, April 21: Open & 299er Local Charity

Sunday, April 24: Open ACBL Charity

Wednesday, April 29: Open & 99er Local Charity

Friday, April 29: Open & 299er ACBL Charity



Welcome to Our New PDBC Members

Gloria Ferris

Linda Freese

Paul Freese

Elizabeth Robinson

Stella Jarina

Karen Melson

James Melson

Renew Your 2016 Membership

Club memberships are due now. Be sure to see a membership representative to join or renew your membership. Non-members are required to pay a \$2 surcharge in addition to game fees.

Opening Leads

ACBL regulations require face down opening leads. This helps prevent opening leads out of turn violations. If realized before facing the card, the person supposed to lead can still make a legal opening lead and the incorrect face down card can be returned to the hand.

The Dummy

Do you know the dummy's rights and limitations?

- 1) Dummy is entitled to give information, in the Director's presence, as to fact or law.
- 2) Dummy may keep count of tricks won and lost.
- 3) Dummy plays cards of the dummy as declarer's agent as directed.
- 4) Dummy may ask declarer when he has failed to follow suit to a trick.
- 5) Dummy may try to prevent any irregularity by declarer.
- 6) Dummy may draw attention to any irregularity, but only after play of the hand is concluded.
- 7) Unless attention has been drawn to an irregularity by another player, dummy should not initiate a call for director during play.
- 8) Dummy may not call attention of an irregularity during play.
- 9) Dummy must not participate in the play, nor may he communicate anything about the play to declarer.
- 10) Dummy may not exchange hands with the declarer.
- 11) Dummy may not leave his seat to watch declarer.
- 12) Dummy may not of his own initiative, look at the face of a card in either defender's hand.

From your Managers

Congratulations to our newest Directors, John Eisinger and Laura J. White. Both passed the director's exam with flying colors. Laura will be directing the Sunday game and John will be substituting when needed.

We thank both of them for stepping up and filling these much-needed positions. We are still in need of directors. Please consider becoming a club director. Anyone who learns all the rules and regulations of a bridge game will find this information beneficial. It would not only help PDBC and our present directors; it would help you become a better player.

The three study books needed to help you prepare for the open book exam can be ordered from Baron Barclay, and I can order and monitor the exam. Please let me know if you are interested

Sue Smith

Don't Miss the Fun!

February 8, 2016

February 20, 2016

April 1, 2016

Mark your Calendars Now for our Upcoming Parties

Lundi Gras Party - Unit Championship

Floyd Lemox Heart Fund Party - Unit Championship

April Fools' Day Charity Party - Unit Championship

PDBC Board Members

Alexa Canady-Davis , President
Helen Michel, Vice President
Vicki Schell, Secretary
Myrl Eisinger, Treasurer
Mary Ann Abrams
Jean Askew
Carla Burke
Rod Fullerton
Joyce Gardner
Laura J. White

Unit 219 Reps

Jeri Edge, President
Kay Huke, Secretary/Treasurer
Stuart Siegel
Garlan Sisco

Club Managers

Sue Smith
Stuart Siegel

Directors

Rod Fullerton
Murray Hall
Stuart Siegel
Larry Westholm
Laura J. White

Committee Chairs

Jean Askew, Sunshine Chair
Carla Burke, Education Chair
John Crane, Computer Chair
Vacant, Duplicating Chair
Barbara Chesterfield, Parliamentarian
Barbara Chesterfield, Decorating Chair
Alexa Davis, Publicity Chair
John Eisinger, Tournament Chair
Kathleen Fullerton, Judiciary Chair
Rod Fullerton, Bldg. Maintenance
Rod Fullerton, Nominating Chair
Joyce Gardner, PSC Liaison
Cynthia Lalas, Membership Chair
Fran Viviano, Social Chair
John Mitchell, Partnership Chair
Stuart Siegel, Director Chair
Sue Smith, Webmaster
Elaine Thompson, Finance Chair
Laura J. White, Newsletter Chair

Our Club

The PDBC Board serves the membership. This only works if you share your ideas and concerns with the committee chairs and the board members. One of the standing items on the board agenda is now suggestions and concerns of the membership. Please speak with your board members and committee chairs or if you prefer use the suggestion box on the bookshelf. Also, please review the monthly board meeting minutes so that you stay informed about issues affecting our club. The minutes are posted on our bulletin board by the bathrooms and are also posted on our website.

Elections

The following members have been elected to fill five PDBC Board positions:

Jean Askew
Carla Burke
Alexa Canady-Davis
Rod Fullerton
Joyce Gardner

Sunshine Committee

Please contact Jean Askew or write on the Cares and Concerns list by the front door of the club if you or another member is encountering problems and have any special needs or could just use a bit of sunshine during difficult times.

Save our Planet – Please Recycle

In the past, we have been putting many recyclable materials into the trash. We now have recycling bins for you to use. We have blue recycling bins with the recycling emblem on them in the playing area and one large black recycling container in the in the kitchen. Please put all your paper, plastic bottles, plastic cups, glass, and Styrofoam cups into the blue recycling bins in the playing area or the large black bin labeled *Recycling* in the kitchen rather than in the black wastebaskets. Water bottles should be emptied and coffee cups should be rinsed out. We still have a separate black bin for soda cans since we don't recycle those through ECUA.

