

Members on the Move

New Members: Carolyn Dodge, Martha England, Joan Hauer, Miriam Kaegi, Terry Kee, Paulette Moe, Linda Steffan

Transfer into Unit: J.M. Thornton

New Junior Masters: Dr. Lenore Gordon, Sally Lindsey, Kevin Livingston, Charlotte Molosky, Beverly Russell, Jo-Ann Giunti, Lynne Prieston, Joel Lurie

New Club Masters: Charles Falk, Julie Kleinbauer, Tom Belshe, Penelope Clark, Susan Van Keulen, Linda Gore

New Sectional Masters: Helen Illsley, Thomas Orr, Melanie Haddad, Cherril Scarth

New Regional Masters: Pat Friesen, Lynn Lewis, Jim Oser

New NABC Masters: William McOuat, George Beard, Irene Lam, Virginia Sulpizio, Lani Valentine

New Life Masters: Phyllis Kreider, Thomas Wright, Keith Bauer, Jeanne Radtke

New Silver Life Masters: Nancy Girtler, Beverly Tait Dresden

New Gold Life Master: Carole Liss

Double Dummy

October - December 2011

Marin Unit 508

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Kudos to one of the Unit's youngest members



Grace Strasen, (the blonde on the right), age 13 from Woodacre, and a former participant in the Bridge in Schools program played in the Youth National tournament in Toronto this past summer. Her partner was Ellie Fashionbauer, a 13 year old student from Illinois and they placed first overall East/West in one event with a score of over 70%. Congratulations to Grace – way to go! Grace is in 8th grade at Lagunitas Middle School. She played in our Marin Sectional in 2010 and joined ACBL after winning her first silver points at that event. She began playing

bridge in 4th grade when her mom began a Bridge at Lunch program at her elementary school. She doesn't play any conventions, but is considering learning Stayman since everyone at the Nationals kept telling her she needed to learn this - "Something about bidding two clubs" is how she described it. Grace doesn't play in the local clubs because she doesn't have a regular partner and the game times don't fit her school schedule. She sometimes plays in school and on the computer with Bridge Baron. Computer playing isn't her favorite because it is not social.

Seminar: Losing Trick Count

Gene Simpson, ACBL Grand Life Master and District 21's leading master point holder (30,000) and Diamond Life Master **Jennifer Jones** will present an important seminar on Losing Trick Count, an alternative method of hand evaluation in bridge guaranteed to improve your bidding. \$40 per person includes a copy of the new booklet by Jennifer Jones on the subject. Reservations by November 10 (maximum 100).

**Sunday, Nov. 20, 2011 @ Terra Linda Rec Center, 670 Del Ganado Dr., Terra Linda
10:30 - 12:30 (before the Unit game)**

For more information contact Jennifer: 707-575-1716 or Jennife574@aol.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

October	November	December
9 Sunday Unit Game-Terra Linda 1:00 pm	5-6 BER Sectional, Community Center, El Cerrito	10 Saturday STAC Pairs 1:00 pm Crossley Bridge Center
22 Saturday Unit Game- Crossley-1:00 pm	11-12 Diablo Valley Fall Sectional, San Ramon	11 Sunday STAC Teams-Terra Linda 1:00 pm
30 Sunday Unit Game-Terra Linda 1:00 pm	20 Sunday Unit Game- TerraLinda 1:00 pm	18 Unit Christmas Party-Terra Linda at 12 noon, Game 1:00 pm

GAMES IN MARIN

Day	Time	Duplicate Games in Marin County	Limit
Monday	12 Noon	Terra Linda Club (+lesson @ 11:50 am)	1,700.00
	11:45 am	Hoppe Bridge Club	Open
	7:00 pm	Crossley Bridge Center (Check link for times on all Crossley Games)	NLM & Limited 0-50
Tuesday	11:15 am	Belvedere Community Center	1,700
	11:45 am	Hoppe Bridge Club	Open
Wednesday	12 Noon	Crossley Bridge Center	Open & NLM
	12 Noon	Terra Linda Club	Open
	6:45 pm	Fuldek (+ lesson at 6:30)	299.00
Thursday	6:30 pm 7:00-10 pm	Pre-game Lesson/lecture Game, Crossley Bridge Center	Open
	11:30 am	Hoppe Club in Tiburon Town Hall, Town Hall 1505 Tiburon Blvd., Tiburon	Limited 0-400
Friday	12 Noon	Terra Linda Club	Open
	12 Noon	Crossley Bridge Center (Check link for times on all Crossley Games)	Open
Saturday	1:00 pm	Crossley Bridge Club *New game beginning Sept. 10, 2011	Open & 49er Section(s)
		Unit Game usually 4th Saturday; see Unit Schedule	
Sunday	1:00 pm	Terra Linda Club or Unit Game (See Unit Schedule for Unit Games)	Open

Susy Cole

There are some people who make our hearts sing when they sit down at the bridge table. Susy Cole is one of these. She is always so upbeat and optimistic that when she leaves the table - you think the world is a pretty wonderful place.

Susy started playing bridge in 1953. She and an attractive blonde girlfriend would occasionally go for a night out for a respite from their young families. Since Susy was also an attractive young woman they were "hit on" by many admiring men, so they decided to play bridge on their nights out -- away from the predatory wolves.



Susy moved multiple times with her family before settling in Marin, and she always made good friends at the bridge table wherever she went.

She served the Unit in many capacities through the years -- as vice-president and president several times. She was in charge of hospitality which meant arriving at the tournaments early enough to make pots of coffee and perform the many tasks associated with providing good refreshments which the Unit was known for back in earlier years (just as today).

In the 60's when tournaments were held at Litchfield's, the tables and chairs had to be washed and cleaned before use, and Susy was always around for that chore. Tournaments were moved from place to place and each location had its special problems and requirements.

Bridge has been good for Susy, and Susy is definitely good for our bridge unit.

Do you love to play bridge? Do you have less than 400 masterpoints? Do you enjoy spending time in Tiburon? If the answer to these questions is "yes," we recommend Roy Hoppe's Thursday game.

Time: 11:30 a.m. (recently changed from noon)

Place: Tiburon Town Hall, 1505 Tiburon Blvd.

Questions: Roy Hoppe 415-755-7532 -- See you there!!!