

# THE KIBITZER

OCTOBER 1996

## NOTES FROM THE UNIT BOARD

by Stephanie McAdam

Another season is well under way - one successful tournament in September and Banff only a couple of weeks away. Make your reservations ASAP. Banff should be a good time. We have a larger playing space this year and the lighting and heating difficulties will be rectified. Hope to see you in Banff November 1 to 3.

Calgary was well represented at the recent North American Open Pairs District Finals which were held in Billings, Montana on September 27. Congratulations to Gordon Campbell (Flight A) and John Kesselring and Dave Horton (Flight B) who have won free trips to Dallas for the finals at the March NABC.

Plans are well underway for the 1997 Calgary White Hat Regional which will be held July 14 -20. Heather Girvitz will do a great job as chair but it would be great to lessen the burden on her and her committee. Don't wait to be called - volunteer now.

The Unit has recently received a sum of money from the now defunct Alberta Bridge Players Association and the Board feels that it should be spent on something specific rather than just becoming part of general revenue. Any suggestions? Speak to any Unit Board member.

Please indulge a personal comment. We seem to be experiencing an increase in incidents of unacceptable behavior at the table. Let's all make a real effort to be polite, considerate, and pleasant with both our partners and our opponents. Thanks.

That's it for now. See you in Banff.

## BOW RIVER CLUB IS NOT MOVING

There is an error on the back cover of the phone list. The Bow River Club is not moving to the Highlander Hotel in November 96. It is staying at its present location for now.

## MEMBERSHIP DESK

by Judy Elson

## PEOPLE UPDATES

Congratulations to the following new Life Masters: Tessa Bombenon, Winnifred Dolsen, Barbara Fiedler and Bruce Mottle; New Bronze Life Master: Tessa Bombenon and new Silver Life Master: Francesca Walton.

## HELLO AND GOODBYE

A warm welcome to those transferring into Unit 390.

Vickie Balchunas ..... Unit 136, Miami Valley  
Marilyn Blair ..... Unit 174, Houston  
Ron Carswell ..... Unit 448, Spokane  
Doreen Flynn ..... Unit 575, North Saskatchewan

Jackie Moneypenny ... Unit 178, Viking Bridge  
Edmund Ridgen ..... Unit 391, Northern Alberta  
Helen Scott ..... Unit 448, Spokane

A fond farewell to the following people who have moved elsewhere:

Vincent Sisko ..... Vancouver, BC    Robert Wallace ..... Mesa, AR    Joyce Wight ..... Victoria, BC

### PHONE CHANGES OR CORRECTIONS:

Lynn Douglas ..... 279-0107	John Serra ..... 240-4380	Terri Walters ..... 276-2227
Delores Hedley ..... 254-4995	Gordie Sharp ..... 254-4995	Aileen Waugh ..... 210-1929
Kevin Miner ..... 275-6376	Tony Vissers ..... 275-8525	

## FALL SECTIONAL RESULTS

### Open Pairs

#### Stratified Imp Pairs

**Flight A:** 1 Jim Davies - Paula Sisko  
2 Fi Nadir - Ron Pongar  
3 Bob Van Wart - Doris Fishman

**Flight B:** 1 Fi Nadir - Ron Pongar  
2 Stephanie McAdam - Rod Hilderman  
3 Adele Johanson - Ruby Comeau

**Flight C:** 1/2 Karl Meyer - Loic Seheult  
1/2 Pam Austin - Helen Bradley

#### Stratified Open Pairs

**Flight A:** 1 Judith Gartaganis - Nicholas Gartaganis  
2 Greg Uchacz - Dann Kramer  
3 Larry Corns - Ernie Bell

**Flight B:** 1 Keith Falkenberg - Stephanie McAdam  
2 Shirley Klassen - Ken Baher  
3 Karl Meyer - Loic Seheult

**Flight C:** 1 Shirley Klassen - Ken Baher  
2 Karl Meyer - Loic Seheult  
3 W. Cox - Donald Watson

### 99er Pairs

#### Friday Afternoon

**Flight A:** 1 Lorraine Van Dusen - Bob Copley  
2 Rick Stevens - Mary Ross  
3 Helen Degenstien - Lucy Shannon

**Flight B:** 1 Helen Degenstien - Lucy Shannon  
2 Alan Hinch - Marion Hinch

#### Friday Evening

**Flight A:** 1 Lorraine Van Dusen - Bob Copley  
2 Rob Pritchard - Wayne Johnson  
3 Donald Ryan - Giyn Roberts

**Flight B:** 1 Rob Pritchard - Wayne Johnson  
2 Victor Shymanski - Lore Shymanski  
3 Carolyn Gomes - Alan Gomes

**Flight C:** 1 Rob Pritchard - Wayne Johnson  
2 Carolyn Gomes - Alan Gomes

#### Saturday Afternoon

**Flight A:** 1 Carolyn Gomes - Alan Gomes  
2 Marlene Lenstra - Laurel Chrumka  
3 Anne Thompson - Mickey Hawrelak

**Flight A Open Pairs**

- Flight A:** 1 Dann Kramer - Piotr Klimowicz  
 2 Steven Lawrence - Bruce Mottle  
 3 Kiz Fung - Peter Jones

**Stratified B/C Open Pairs**

- Flight B:** 1 Michael Hurka - Debbie Ignacz  
 2 Garnet Hammer - Deanna Hammer  
 3/4 Judy Chapman - Barry Emmment  
 3/4 Eleanor Seaman - Torchy McCarthy

- Flight C:** 1 Garnet Hammer - Deanna Hammer  
 2 Aileen Waugh - Rod Ward  
 3 Anne Marie Kingston - Bob Willson

**Stratified Swiss Teams**

- Flight A:** 1 Bruce Mottle - Dave Madge  
 Fran Madge - Glenn Lefebvre  
 2 Ernie Bell - Larry Corns  
 John Lang - Steve Dunn - Pat Smolensky  
 3 Ian Boyd - Daniel Bertrand  
 Ray Grace - Piotr Klimowicz

- Flight B:** 1 Bruce Mottle - Dave Madge  
 Fran Madge - Glenn Lefebvre  
 2 Jo Peterson - Murray Peterson  
 Rod Hilderman - Keith Falkenberg  
 Janice Bodnarchuk  
 3 Rodney McKnight - Dick Yuen  
 Bill Cox - Donald Watson

**Saturday Afternoon 99er Pairs**

- Flight B:** 1 Carolyn Gomes - Alan Gomes  
 2 Anne Thompson - Mickey Hawrelak  
 3 Robert Dow - Perry Clary

- Flight C:** 1 Carolyn Gomes - Alan Gomes  
 2 Anne Thompson - Mickey Hawrelak  
 3 Robert Dow - Perry Clary

**Saturday Evening**

- Flight A:** 1 Barry Robey - Barb Kryski  
 2 Lorraine Van Dusen - Bob Copley  
 3 Don Ryan - Glyn Roberts

- Flight B:** 1 Barry Robey - Barb Kryski  
 2 Sharon Lutz - Mary Ross  
 3 Keith Hoyland - Perry Clark

**Sunday Morning Teams**

- 1/2 Gwen Cox - Donna McElroy  
 Sally Graboski - Isabelle Wintrip  
 1/2 Terri Pollard - Mary Lou Holder  
 Barry Robey - Barb Kryski  
 3 Glyn Roberts - Bob Copley  
 Lorraine Van Dusen - Don Ryan

**Sunday Afternoon Teams**

- 1/3 Gordon King - Mona King  
 Bill Frederick - Yolie Frederick  
 1/3 Glyn Roberts - Don Ryan  
 Bob Copley - Lorraine Van Dusen  
 1/3 Gwen Cox - Isabelle Wintrip  
 Donna McElroy - Sally Graboski

**ALBERTA SECTIONALS MASTERPOINT RACE**

1	Nick Gartaganis	97.32	11	Bruce Mottle	40.91	21	Barry Pritchard	30.66
2	Dann Kramer	94.61	12	Ken Penton	40.24	22	Dan Bertrand	29.48
3	Judy Gartaganis	93.33	13	Vince Lambert	36.20	23	Lloyda Jones	28.44
4	Bob Santa	77.58	14	Maurice De La Salle	34.25	24	Venora Galon	27.22
5	Piotr Klimowicz	66.89	15	Al Simon	33.66	25	Bob Crosby	27.10
6	Ray Grace	64.41	16	Tom Gandolfo	33.14	26	Fran Madge	26.49
7	Gerry Marshall	63.07	17	Stephanie McAdam	32.64	27	Dave Madge	25.88
8	Steve Lawrence	62.57	18	Peter Jones	32.07	28	Rick Tewari	25.60
9	Fran Walton	60.60	19	Faith Pritchard	31.67	29	Susan Culham	25.57
10	Paul Graham	60.60	20	Ian Boyd	31.33	30	Janusz Gorzko	25.08

## PRESIDENT'S TROPHY (SEPTEMBER 1996)

1/2	Lorraine Van Dusen	5.83	3/4	Donald Ryan	3.60	5/6	Barb Kryski	3.58
1/2	Bob Copley	5.83	3/4	Glyn Roberts	3.60	5/6	Barry Robey	3.58

## NEWS FROM THE CLUBS

### Bow River

Wed	Oct	23	12:30	Open Pairs Club Championship
Wed	Oct	23	7:30	199ers Pairs Club Championship
Tues	Nov	12	7:30	Stratified Pairs Club Championship
Sun	Nov	17	1:00	Open Pairs Club Championship
Sat	Nov	30	7:30	Invitational Teams Club Championship
Sun	Dec	1	1:00	Christmas Party
Sun	Dec	1	5:00	Christmas Party
Mon	Dec	2	12:30	Stratified 99ers Club Championship

### Canmar

Thur	Oct	31	7:30	Club Charity in support of Youville Women's Residence
Thur	Nov	14	7:30	Lil & Jack Murphy Memorial Trophy
Mon	Nov	25	7:30	ACBL Wide Charity Game
Mon	Dec	2	7:30	Club Championship
Thur	Dec	12	7:30	Christmas Party

### Martinique

Congratulations to the Summer Quarter Winners: Terri Pollard, Loic Seheult, Garth Wiggins, Jnan Sarkar, and Nick Gartaganis.

Fri	Nov	15	8:00	Cookie Jar Pairs
Sun	Nov	17	1:00	CNTC Qualifying Game
Fri	Dec	13	8:00	Friday the 13 <sup>th</sup> Party (The Party will concentrate more on fun than bridge)
Sat	Dec	14	TBA	Martinique Christmas Party
Sun	Dec	22	1:00	CNTC Qualifying Game
Sun	Jan	5	1:00	CNTC Qualifying Game
Sun	Jan	19	12:00	CNTC Unit Final

### Internet

Ernie Boushy is still trying to create a list of Unit Members who are on the Internet. If there is enough interest, various articles might be transmitted through the information highway. Please email Ernie at [Boushye@cniug.ab.ca](mailto:Boushye@cniug.ab.ca) to give him your email address and suggestions on how our Unit could use the Internet. This message was also on the September Kibitzer, but Ernie received a very limited response.

## EIGHT EVER, NINE NEVER

by Rick Tewari

				<u>North</u>			
				♠ A742			
				♥ 75			
				♦ T74			
				♣ Q963			
<u>West</u>				<u>East</u>			
♠ 83				♠ 65			
♥ A9642				♥ KQJT8			
♦ Q62				♦ 9			
♣ J52				♣ AKT74			
				<u>South</u>			
				♠ KQJT9			
				♥ 3			
				♦ AKJ853			
				♣ 8			
East	South	West	North				
1 H	1 S	4 H	4 S				
5 C	5 S	Pass	Pass				
Double	Pass	Pass	Pass				

West leads the Ace of Hearts. East plays the 8 (lowest) but West still continues with another heart. South ruffs and cashes two high spades. From the bidding, declarer decides that East's distribution must be 2-5-1-5 or 2-5-0-6.

So declarer cashes the Ace of Diamonds and smoothly leads a low diamond towards the dummy. West ducks and declarer does not lose any diamond tricks.

Although West misdefended (should trust partner and play a club at trick two), declarer played the hand very well. Declarer listened to the auction and trusted his instincts.

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### Tewarick

This is a limerick by Rick Tewari:

If one side has a fit  
The other has too.  
Compete and compete  
Make them sick of you!

## ACTIVE ETHICS

by Stan Matheson

The Rehash Cafe and Pub was doing landmark business as Mutt and Jeff continued to take advantage of an increasingly more talkative and less coherent Champ as Lord Bacchus looked on with amusement.

Mutt's frustration level was at a peak as he spluttered out his account of what the Fred's had done to him that evening. "I think that this active ethics stuff is a bunch of crap. I tell those guys everything and I still get shafted by the stupid laws."

The Champ looked at Mutt and said: "Sounds like another Fred story huh ? Well, give me all the juicy stuff."

"We played three boards against the Fred's. On the first board Fred opened 1NT and Jeff bid 2 Hearts. I alerted and Fred asked what the alert was and I explained that the bid was Brozel showing Hearts and

Spades usually 5-5 or better distribution. The auction continued pass and I bid 2 spades pass pass pass. Before the opening lead was made Jeff said that the explanation was wrong and that we had agreed to play transfer overcalls of 1NT and the 2 Hearts call should show a Spade suit. Fred called the Director who ruled that since the infraction had taken place more than one round before the auction finished, he could not reopen the auction and to play the hand in 2 Spades and to call him back if anyone felt that damage had occurred. We made 2 Spades and Fred called the director and pointed out that the confusion prevented him from doubling 2 Hearts or competing to 3 Hearts which makes 3. We agreed with that and the director changed the result to 3 hearts making three. No problem with this since our action caused the problem."



"Sounds right so continue " said the Champ.

"My turn." Jeff interjected. "Mutt opened 1 Club, Fred passed and I bid 2 Diamonds which I thought was a pre-emptive raise in clubs, Mutt alerted but hesitated when Fred asked what the bid meant and then Fred asked how are you taking it and Mutt said he was taking it as a weak jumpshift in diamonds. Fred said thank you and bid double which then went pass 3 NT pass pass pass. I led a club and we took the first 6 tricks and Fred called the director who adjusted the board to an average plus for the Freds."

"Well" the Champ started to say but was quickly cowed into silence as Mutt overruled his statement by bursting out: "And then on the final board with us passing throughout, the auction went: 1 Diamond, 2 Diamonds ( alerted as game forcing ) 2 NT 3 NT. Jeff asked the meaning of 2 NT, Fred said he wasn't sure, so Jeff asked if the 2 NT showed stoppers in both majors and Fred said that he didn't know. So holding Kxxx Jx Kxxx xxx , I led the Heart Jack which knocked out the Freds' stopper and down they went and then Fred called the Director and said that they needed protection from the heart lead since the question suggested major suit interest and again the Director ruled in their favour."

"May I speak now?" requested the Champ

"OK."

"Lets look at the last two examples since they seem to be causing the problem. In the first case did you make the Director aware that you were unsure of the meaning of 2 Diamonds and that Fred had asked how you interpreted the bid?"

"No."

"Dealing with the last hand, partner's questions focused the attention on the majors. If you lead the 4th best spade or diamond, you would have no problem as a Spade or Diamond would be a considered a normal lead; while the heart is more of a spectacular top or bottom result lead which can't be accepted because of partner's questions. Do you see how in the second hand the adjustment was made because the Director was only made aware of the actual bidding misunderstanding while in the third hand your questions were the problem."

"Right, but it still seems unfair to us."

The Champ, now in fine fettle, ordered another round and continued his discourse: "The problem with what happened to you is not with active ethics but with the fact that some players are unwilling to divulge their agreements while the honest folk say too much. The Fred's question as to the meaning of 2 Diamonds was proper, but when you showed that you were unsure they had no business asking how you were going to take the bid as all they have the right to know is your agreements. If you do not know the meaning of a bid say undiscussed or words to that effect. When you asked about the auction 1 Diamond pass 2 Diamonds pass 2 NT, the correct answer would be 2 NT shows stoppers in both majors or whatever their agreement is. If you have no partnership understanding of a simple rebid like 2 NT then you should not be playing something as complex as inverted minors. If you know and won't tell your opponents then the game doesn't need you. Also Jeff, you shouldn't ask that kind of question unless you are planning to bid or are on lead. Wait until partner has selected a lead and then ask."

## TEAM GAMES

Summer is finally over and we can start putting our teams together for the various major team games. There is the CNTC (Canadian National Team Championship) and the GNT (Grand National Teams). Team games are usually quite relaxing (time is usually not a problem). They are a good way to improve your bridge (you play against good opposition). They are an easy way to earn some masterpoints (you get masterpoints for every match you win).

A player can enter both the CNTC and the GNT. At the club level (1<sup>st</sup> stage), players qualify as individuals. A player can also qualify for different flights if he is eligible for those flights. Once past the first stage, players can form teams to enter the second stage. Players do not have to continue on to the next stage. Often, players do not enter these events because they do not plan to go on to the next stage. But that should not be an obstacle. The more players who participate at the first stage, the more players get to advance. Even if you do not plan to continue, just by playing in the first stage you might help someone else reach the second stage. This is especially true for the CNTC where the number of teams which qualify for the third stage depends on how many teams played in the first stage. So get your team together and come have some fun!

There is a summary of important dates for the various Team Games on the next page. Please contact Dan Bertrand at 288-8828 if you have any questions or concerns.

## CANADIAN NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

There is only one flight for the CNTC. A player cannot take part in both the CNTC and the GNT Flight A (he must select one or the other).

Club Stage	Unit Final	Zone Final	Canadian Final
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Qualify as an individual</li> <li>• Ask Clubs for Dates</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Martinique Bridge Club</li> <li>• Sunday January 19</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Edmonton Br. Centre</li> <li>• April 5 &amp; 6</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vancouver, B.C.</li> <li>• June 9-14</li> </ul>

## GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS

There are four flights in the GNT. Flight A is opened to everyone from District 18 which include Calgary (Note: You can only play in CNTC or GNT Flight A). Flight B is restricted to players with less than 1500 masterpoints. Only non-life masters with less than 500 masterpoints can play in Flight C. Players with less than 100 points can play in Flight D. The winners of Flight D in Great Falls will all receive individual trophies. The winners of Flights A, B, and C are eligible to play at the Albuquerque Nationals in August of 1997. If a winning team decides to play in the Nationals, District 18 will contribute \$1500. to that team as a subsidy.

Club Stage	Unit Stage	District Final
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Qualify as individuals</li> <li>• Can play in any flights you are eligible</li> <li>• Check with Clubs for dates</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Only</b> Flight C will have a Unit Final</li> <li>• Unit Final will be in March or April 1997</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District Final will start at 1:00 PM on Friday May 2, 1997 and continue until Sunday May 4</li> <li>• District Final will be held in Great Falls, Montana</li> </ul>

## JULY 1997 WHITE HAT REGIONAL

### CALLING ALL ARTSY FARTSY'S

Do you wanna'be a **STAR????**

We need talented and semi-talented people with chutzpah.

Singers, Dancers, Artists, Comedians, Clowns, Jugglers, Trapeze Artists, etc.

Interested??

Call Heather Girvitz at 242-2052

### SOS: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED !!!!!!!

Hospitality-----	Maggie Rogers	282-6653
Casino-----	Keith Falkenberg	230-7441
Future Masters-----	Stephanie McAdam	256-2563
Caddie Master -----	Bruce Mottle	280-8933
Home Dinners-----	Linda Thierman	246-2923

# BANFF SECTIONAL

## LOCATION: INNS OF BANFF

600 Banff Avenue

Banff, Alberta

(403) 762-4581

Calgary Direct Line: 265-6962

Toll Free Reservation Line: 1-800-661-1272

## OPEN EVENTS

Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 1996

2:00 PM: Stratified IMP Pairs  
8:00 PM: Stratified Pairs  
11:45 PM: Swiss Teams (if numbers warrant)

Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1996

1:00 PM: Stratified Open Pairs (Playthrough)  
7:30 PM: Stratified Open Pairs (2<sup>nd</sup> session)  
*(Single Session Pairs are welcomed for either Session)*

Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1996

10:00 AM: Stratified Swiss Teams (1<sup>st</sup> Session)  
TBA: Stratified Swiss Teams (2<sup>nd</sup> Session)

**NOTE: Limited Time Break Between Sessions**

**Lunch Available On Site**

**Play to Be Completed by 6:30 PM**

**Stratification for all games: A - 750<sup>+</sup> B: 200 - 750 C: 0 - 200**

## FUTURE MASTERS EVENTS

Future masters events will be held if a minimum of 3 tables are present. All future masters events will be single session.