

THE KIBITZER

JANUARY 1999

NOTES FROM THE UNIT BOARD

by Keith Falkenberg
Unit President

Season's Greetings and Happy New Year to all Unit 390 members! I'm happy to report that halfway through the 1998-99 tournament season our tournament attendance is way up. Our September table count was 263, up 70 tables or a 36% increase over September, 1997. The Banff increase was even stronger - 210 tables, up 60 tables or a 40% increase from 1997. This is a tremendous reversal of fortune from last season. Why the sudden increase? Some say it's the outcome of new player development at the clubs. However, "A" player turnout is also up. I think, in part, our last few tournaments at the Polish-Canadian Club have gone off without a serious hitch. Plus I think the Banff tournament site, the Inns of Banff, is now regarded as an excellent value. Whatever the reason for you, I hope the good attendance continues and we see you all at the New Year's Sectional, January 8-10, and at the Spring Sectional, March 5-7. Also, be sure to consider attending the Spring NABC being held in Vancouver from March 18 -28.

Finally, note of thanks to Stan Shedd. Stan has volunteered to be the chair of the Unit's Conduct and Ethics Committee in response to a call for volunteers in the last Kibitzer. A reminder, though, that if you have any concerns about conduct and ethics, especially if it is a specific incident, the first person you should contact is the Unit Recorder, Gordon Campbell. Recorder forms should be available at all clubs or you can contact Gordon at 270-0315.

MEMBERSHIP DESK

by walking Joan Garland

Welcome to the following new ACBL Members:

Phyllis Allen, Simon Farrer, Barbara Maclean and Roxanne Rees.

Welcome to the following Players who transferred into our unit:

Lana Blackett from Manitoba, Annette McCollum from Trent Valley and Andrew and Cindy Seibel from Saskatchewan.

Good-bye to Bill and Trudy O'Rourke who have moved to Vernon, BC

Congratulations to the following who have achieved new milestones:

JUNIOR MASTER (5-20):

Marilyn Blair, Gwen Brusset, Audrey Clark, Jean Finlay, E. Follensbee, Donald Gellatly, Steven Gilroy, C.F. Ko and Wilda Pashak.

CLUB MASTER (20-50):

Marjory Allen, Marjorie Laing, Lucy Miller, Barbara Premdas, Terry Schreder, Jean Seaver and Diane Thompson.

SECTIONAL MASTER (at least 50, including 5 silver points):

Donna Gellatly, Joy Gloin, Sherman Ng and Bob Thompson.

REGIONAL MASTER (at least 100, including 15 silver and 5 red or gold):

Norman Dodd and Hazel Skelton

NABC MASTER (at least 200, including 25 silver, 5 gold, and 15 red or gold):
Rae Haaland, Mickey Hawrelak, Terri Pollard, Jeff Robertson and Annette Ross.

LIFE MASTER (at least 300, including 50 silver, 25 gold, and 25 red or gold):
Jim Broadbent and Gloria Guy.

BRONZE LIFE MASTER (Life Master over 500):
Ken Baher

GOLD LIFE MASTER (Life Master over 2500):
Mike Chomyn

FALL SECTIONAL RESULTS

Open Pairs

Stratified Imp Pairs

Flight A:	1	Rod Hilderman - Jim Berglund
	2	Dave Horton - Gord Sharp
	3	Perry Khakhar - Debbie Ignacz
Flight B:	1	Rod Hilderman - Jim Berglund
	2	Perry Khakhar - Debbie Ignacz
	3	Frances Tadros - Gamil Tadros
Flight C:	1	Edward Frost - Ron Carswell
	2	Devinder Sood - Rick Stevens
	3	Mickey Hawrelak - Vince Lacoste

Stratified Open Pairs

Flight A:	1	Floyd Derkat - Jean Bachinsky
	2	Ian Boyd - Keith Falkenberg
	3	Heather Girvitz - Brian Girvitz
Flight B:	1	Heinz Weis - Rolf Saetre
	2	Walter Brock - Glenn Lefebvre
	3	Jiti Bhatia - Gurcharan Bhatia
Flight C:	1	Edward Frost - Ron Carswell
	2	Jim Broadbent - Dick Yuen
	3	Ron Pritchard - John Ferguson

Flight A Open Pairs

Flight A:	1	Dann Kramer - Piotr Klimowicz
	2	Judith Gartaganis - Nicholas Gartaganis
	3	Karen Kilworth - Tom Gandolfo

99er Pairs

Friday Afternoon

Flight A:	1	Donald Smith - Doreen Smith
	2	Susan Butler - Ron Grove
	3	Diane Thompson - Pat Purvis
Flight B:	1	Donald Smith - Doreen Smith
	2	Susan Butler - Ron Grove
	3	Diane Thompson - Pat Purvis
Flight C:	1	Susan Butler - Ron Grove
	2	Joan Finlay - Audrey Clark
	3	Doreen Green - Janet Small

Friday Evening 99er Pairs

Flight A:	1	Susan Butler - Ron Grove
	2	Pat Purvis - Diane Thompson
	3	Victor Shymanski - Lore Shymanski
Flight B:	1	Susan Butler - Ron Grove
	2	Pat Purvis - Diane Thompson
	3	Terrie Matz - Carmen Gallant
Flight C:	1	Susan Butler - Ron Grove
	2	Terrie Matz - Carmen Gallant

Saturday Afternoon

Flight A:	1	Issy McLean - Vera Kroetch
	2	Terrie Matz - Carmen Gallant
	3	Jean Seaver - Leslie Holmes

Stratified B/C Open Pairs

- Flight B:** 1 Bob Christie - Verne Warwick
2 Frances Tadros - Gamil Tadros
3 Marc Maes - Chris Wuerscher
- Flight C:** 1 Mickey Hawrelak - Vince Lacoste
2 Bryant Hawthorne - Allan Nielsen
3 Marlene Lenstra - Laurel Chromka

Open Stratified Swiss Teams

- Flight A:** 1 Heather Girvitz - Brian Girvitz
Gord Sharp - Dan Bertrand
2 Anita Lambert - Vince Lambert
Judith Gartaganis - Nicholas Gartaganis
3 Larry Corns - Martin McDonald
Steven Lawrence - Pat Smolensky
- Flight B:** 1 Karl Meyer - Ed Brougham
Ross MacLean - Loic Seheult
2 Elaine Winter - Ken Baher
Jeff Robertson - Rosella Ellis
3/4 Norman Dodd - Jim Wilson
Kinga Voorhees - Burton Voorhees
3/4 Delores Hedley - Lynn Douglas
Marion Dizep - Virginia Arnold
- Flight C:** 1 Norman Dodd - Jim Wilson
Kinga Voorhees - Burton Voorhees
2 Ruth Reeves - Ken Mortensen
Eileen Harle - Rita Dayne



Saturday Afternoon (continued)

- Flight B:** 1 Terrie Matz - Carmen Gallant
2 Jean Seaver - Leslie Holmes
3 Doreen Smith - Donald Smith
- Flight C:** 1 Terrie Matz - Carmen Gallant
2/3 Thomas Taylor - Barbara MacLean
2/3 Janet Small - Doreen Green

Saturday Evening

- Flight A:** 1 Terrie Matz - Carmen Gallant
2 Don Gellatly - Donna Gellatly
3 Doreen Smith - Donald Smith
- Flight B:** 1 Terrie Matz - Carmen Gallant
2 Doreen Smith - Donald Smith
3/4 Jeanette Hinch - Annette McCollum
3/4 Anne Primeau - Diane Eason
- Flight C:** 1 Terrie Matz - Carmen Gallant
2 Joan Finlay - Audrey Clark
3 Roxanne Rees - Phyllis Allen

Sunday Morning Teams

- Flight A:** 1 Joy Gloin - Lucy Miller
Isabelle Wintrip - Sally Graboski
2 Tom Eason - Diane Eason
Jeanette Smallenburg - Len Smallenburg
3 Helen Klassen - Marjorie Laing
Thomas Taylor - Henry Van Veen
- Flight B:** 1 Tom Eason - Diane Eason
Jeanette Smallenburg - Len Smallenburg

Sunday Afternoon Teams

- 1/2 Anne Thompson - Robert Thompson
Donna Gellatly - Don Gellatly
1/2 Tom Eason - Diane Eason
Jeanette Smallenburg - Len Smallenburg

PRESIDENT'S TROPHY

The President's trophy is awarded to the future master who wins the most masterpoints in future master events at the Calgary sectional. These are the results for the Labor Day Sectional:

1/2	Carmen Gallant	3.61	5/6	Susan Butler	2.75	7/8	Donna Gellatly	2.52
1/2	Terrie Matz	3.61	5/6	Ron Grave	2.75	9/10	Joy Gloin	2.35
3/4	Donald Smith	3.54	7/8	Don Gellatly	2.52	9/10	Lucy Miller	2.35
3/4	Doreen Smith	3.54						

BANFF SECTIONAL RESULTS

OPEN PAIRS

Stratified IMP Pairs

Flight A: 1 Gordon Campbell - Dave Whitmore
2 Dann Kramer - Caroleigh Houghton
3 Ben Chee - Ed Brougham

Flight B: 1 Jim Clark - Bruce Mottle
2 Rod Hilderman - Stephanie McAdam
3/4 Jim Broadbent - Simon Farrer
3/4 Ian Boyd - Michael Hurka

Flight C: 1 Joan Dupuis - Carole Kirk
2 Ross MacLean - Barbara MacLean
3 Eleanor Houston - Gordon Houston

Friday Stratified Pairs

Flight A: 1/2 Judy Gartaganis - Nick Gartaganis
1/2 Jim Clark - Bruce Mottle
3 Bob Clements - Diane Clements

Flight B: 1 Jim Clark - Bruce Mottle
2 Bob Clements - Diane Clements
3/4 Keats Barry - George Breuness
3/4 Michael Shuster - Shelley Mardiros

Flight C: 1 Bob Clements - Diane Clements
2 Michael Shuster - Shelley Mardiros
3 Ross MacLean - John Leask

Saturday Stratified Pairs

Flight A: 1 Jim Clark - Bruce Mottle
2 Martin McDonald - Philip Chen
3 Judy Gartaganis - Nick Gartaganis

Flight B: 1 Jim Clark - Bruce Mottle
2 Judy Chapman - Michael Hurka
3 Liliane Peddicord - Art Peddicord

Flight C: 1 Joan Dupuis - Willy Breedveld
2 Kathleen Harper - Roy Harper
3 Dianne Clements - Robert Clements

99'ER PAIRS

Friday Evening Pairs

Flight A: 1 Barry Robey - Barb Kryski
2 Weida Murphy - Gretchen Perla
3 Gwen Hewitt - Wes Hewitt

Flight B: 1 Weida Murphy - Gretchen Perla
2 Gwen Hewitt - Wes Hewitt

Saturday Afternoon Pairs

Flight A: 1 Gordon Houston - Eleanor Houston
2 Jean Seaver - Phyllis Kozak
3 Susan Butler - Howard Preston

Flight B: 1 Jean Seaver - Phyllis Kozak
2 Susan Butler - Howard Preston
3 Helen Klassen - Marjorie Laing

Saturday Evening Pairs

Flight A: 1 Anne Stang - Willa Dumka
2 Gordon Houston - Eleanor Houston
3 Don Gellatly - Donna Gellatly

Flight B: 1 Anne Stang - Willa Dumka
2 Susan Butler - Howard Preston

SPEEDBALL SWISS TEAMS

Friday Evening

1/3 Anne Rabik - Bernie Lefebvre
Kathleen Harper - Roy Harper
1/3 Jack Triplett - Vince Machacek
Isabelle Bain - Norman Dodd
1/3 Steven Lawrence - Martin McDonald
Pat Smolensky - Jean Bachinsky

Saturday Evening

1 Pat Smolensky - Philip Chen
Martin McDonald - Jean Bachinsky

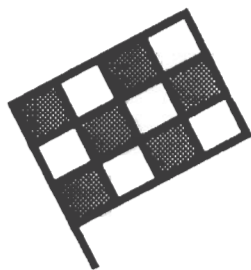
Sunday Stratified Swiss Teams

Flight A: 1 Pat Smolensky - Philip Chen - Martin McDonald - John Dunn
 2 Tom Gandolfo - Piotr Klimowicz - Dann Kramer - Stephanie McAdam
 3 John Lang - Don Gladman - Fran Walton - Paul Graham

Flight B: 1 Jim Broadbent - Valerie Ling - Hussein Dada - Devinder Sood
 2/3 Don Gellatly - Donna Gellatly - Anne Thompson - Robert Thompson
 2/3 Glenn Lefebvre - Ron Pritchard - John Ferguson - Rod Ward

Flight C: 1 Don Gellatly - Donna Gellatly - Anne Thompson - Robert Thompson
 2 Janice Bodnarchuk - Maggie Rogers - Laurel Chrumka - Rick Stevens
 3 Joan Dupuis - Carole Kirk - Shelley Mardiros - Michael Shuster

ALBERTA SECTIONALS MASTERPOINT RACE (FINAL RESULT)



1	Nick Gartaganis	137.43	25	Debbie Ignacz	34.78	49	Dave Horton	23.60
2	Piotr Klimowicz	128.99	26	Vince Nowlan	34.67	50	Perry Khakhar	23.10
3	Dann Kramer	110.99	27	Maurice De La Salle	33.46	51	Ray Riege	22.79
4	Judith Gartaganis	104.86	28	Steve Willard	33.00	52	Anita Lambert	22.64
5	Paul Graham	102.30	29	John Lang	32.64	53	Kaz Walewski	22.52
6	Fran Walton	92.66	30	Richard Sochacki	32.54	54	Barney Paterson	22.01
7	Lawrence Dubrofsky	87.08	31	Jean Bachinsky	32.35	55	Geraldine Paterson	22.01
8	Tom Gandolfo	81.15	32	Phillip Chen	32.33	56	Lloyda Jones	21.72
9	Vince Lambert	72.62	33	Dick McKinney	31.45	57	Lisa Cabay	21.28
10	Peter Jones	72.13	34	Keith Falkenberg	31.09	58	Jim Broadbent	20.80
11	Daniel Bertrand	48.51	35	Kiz Fung	30.22	59	Alex Fowlie	20.76
12	Rod Hilderman	47.45	36	Rick Tewari	30.00	60	Susan Culham	20.34
13	Martin McDonald	47.22	37	Judy Chapman	29.88	61	Adolph Feingold	20.15
14	Steven Lawrence	46.62	38	Ray Grace	29.51	62	Alvin Baragar	20.06
15	Gordon Campbell	44.38	39	Pat Smolensky	29.15	63	Allan Simon	20.04
16	Stephanie McAdam	43.50	40	Faith Pritchard	28.61	64	Ed Brougham	19.73
17	Don Gladman	42.46	41	Ian Boyd	27.18	65	Bryant Hawthorne	19.72
18	Wayne Shaw	42.01	42	Bob Christie	26.54	66	Ron Kupchanko	19.62
19	Barry Pritchard	42.01	43	Gerry Marshall	25.31	67	Heather Girvitz	19.45
20	Gord Sharp	40.87	44	Louise Wildman	24.29	68	Andrew Proczkowski	19.26
21	Michael Hurka	40.87	45	Jim Clark	24.26	69	Hazel Skelton	19.24
22	Glen Andersen	37.17	46	Kathy Engel	24.11	70	Stan Cabay	19.03
23	Bruce Mottle	35.94	47	Jeff Robertson	24.05			
24	Lorna McDonald	34.94	48	Jim Drysdale	23.94			

NEWS FROM THE CLUBS

Bow River Bridge Club

The Bow River Bridge Club will be starting a new game on Saturday Afternoon. It will be an Open Pairs Game starting on Saturday January 16 at 1:00 PM.

Thursday	January	21	7:15	Master-Novice Pairs
Sunday	January	24	1:00	Stratified Open Club Championship
Tuesday	January	26	7:15	Stratified Open Club Championship
Monday	February	1	7:15	Grand National Team Qualifier (Flights A, B, C, and D)
Thursday	February	4	12:30	Stratified 199ers Club Championship
Sunday	February	7		Valentine's Party (Sessions start at 10:30 AM and 2:00 PM. Buffet Dinner between sessions)
Thursday	February	18	7:15	Novice Club Championship
Friday	February	26	7:45	Stratified Open Teams Club Championship
Monday	March	1	12:30	Stratified 299ers Club Championship
Wednesday	March	10	12:30	Stratified Open Club Championship
Tuesday	March	23	7:15	ACBL-Wide Charity Game

Martinique Bridge Club

Week of January 11 - 16				Club Championship Week (All games are Club Championships)
Friday	January	22	7:30	Grand National Team Qualifier (Flights A, B, C, and D)
Friday	January	29	7:30	Grand National Team Qualifier (Flights A, B, C, and D)
Friday	February	5	7:30	Grand National Team Qualifier (Flights A, B, C, and D)
Saturday	January	30	1:00	International Fund Game #1
Saturday	February	13	8:00	Valentine Party (Joyce Millward Queen of Hearts Trophy)
Monday	February	22	12:30	ACBL-Wide Senior Game (This game will be held with the Team Game)
Monday	March	29	7:30	Charity Game

SPECIAL EVENTS

by Dave Horton

The District Final for the North American Open Pairs was held in Great Falls on October 31. Qualifying to represent District 18 from Unit 390 were: Francesca Walton and Paul Graham - 3rd in Flight A, Daniel Bertrand and Dave Horton - 1st in Flight B, Ron Pritchard and Sheldon Spier - 1st in Flight C, and Mickey Hawrelak and Hazel Skelton - 3rd in Flight C. Congratulations to all.

The CNTC Unit Final will be held in late January or early February, watch club postings for the exact date. Grand National Teams Club Qualifiers will be coming up shortly, watch for game dates at your local clubs, or at the January Sectional. The District Final for the GNT's will be held in Great Falls MT, in May, with the winner of Flights A, B, and C receiving a \$1500 US subsidy to continue on to the Summer NABC's in San Antonio (Flight D competition ends in Great Falls). Flights A, B, and D qualify directly from the Club to the District level, while Flight C must go through an Unit Final. Last year in Great Falls, Calgary had a clean sweep winning Flights A, B, C, and D, let's see if we can do it again.

The time is also getting near for the Annual General Meeting and the new Unit Board. If you are interested in being a Board Member, please let any current Board Members know.

DEFENSE

by Daniel Bertrand

1.	♠ A4	
	♥ 8	
	♦ KQT6432	
	♣ 765	
		♠ K8532
		♥ KT62
		♦ A8
		♣ A4

You are West. You hear this auction playing a team game:

South	West	North	East
1NT	P	3NT	P
P	P		

Partner leads the ♣2, dummy plays the 5, and now you must plan your defense.

2.	♠ T863	
	♥ Q92	
	♦ T86	
	♣ T97	
		♠ A532
		♥ AK653
		♦ 74
		♣ J3

You are West. You hear this auction:

South	West	North	East
2♣	P	2♦*	P
2♠	P	4♠	P
6♠	P	P	P
* Waiting			

You decide not to double and lead the ♥K but declarer ruffs with the 7 and leads the ♠K. Plan your defense.

3.	♠ Q	
	♥ QT8754	
	♦ AKJT9	
	♣ 3	
		♠ AT876
		♥ 6
		♦ 62
		♣ AJT84

You are East. You are playing in a Team Game. The auction is:

South	West	North	East
1♠	P	2♥	P
2♠	P	3♦	P
3NT	P	P	P

Partner leads the ♥3, dummy plays the 4, you play the 6 and declarer wins the 9. Declarer now leads the ♠2, partner plays the 5, dummy performs plays the Q, and it is your turn. Plan your defense.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Attributed to George S Kaufman:

After a particularly frustrating session when his partner excused himself to use the washroom, George commented "This is the first time tonight I know what's in his hand."

SOLUTION TO DEFENSE

1.	♠ A4	
	♥ 8	
	♦ KQT6432	
	♣ 765	
♠ 976		♠ K8532
♥ 9754		♥ KT62
♦ 95		♦ A8
♣ QT92		♣ A4
	♠ QJT	
	♥ AQJ3	
	♦ J7	
	♣ KJ83	

You have 14 points and dummy has 9. Therefore, partner has 2 points at the most. So you cannot get five tricks before declarer can establish dummy's diamonds. You must return the ♠K to remove dummy's outside entry. Without the diamonds, declarer might not be able to get 9 tricks. You hope that the entire hand is something similar to the one on the left. Declarer will get 3 spade tricks but only 1 diamond trick (You will hold back for one round in diamonds). Declarer will not succeed. If you defend differently, declarer will easily establish diamonds.

With proper defense, declarer has no chance. Do not win your Ace of Spades until the third round of Spades is played. Then lead the ♥A. Declarer can ruff in his own hand with his last trump, but he will be unable to pull your last trump which you will use to ruff one of his minor suit winners.

2.	♠ T863	
	♥ Q92	
	♦ T86	
	♣ T97	
♠ A532		♠
♥ AK653		♥ JT874
♦ 74		♦ 9532
♣ J3		♣ 8652
	♠ KQJ97	
	♥	
	♦ AKQJ	
	♣ AKQ4	

3	♠ Q	
	♥ QT8754	
	♦ AKJT9	
	♣ 3	
♠ 5		♠ AT876
♥ AKJ32		♥ 6
♦ 8753		♦ 62
♣ 976		♣ AJT84
	♠ KJ9432	
	♥ 9	
	♦ Q4	
	♣ KQ52	

What do you know? Well, partner's lead marks him with the ♥AKJ. So declarer must have all the remaining face cards for his opening bid. It seems impossible to beat the hand, but if declarer has only 1 or 2 diamonds, you can make it more difficult for her by winning the ♠A and switching to a diamond. When declarer leads the ♣3, continue your good work by going up with the Ace and playing another diamond. (If you duck, declarer wins a club, catches 2 spades and claims). After playing a second round of diamonds, declarer can win in dummy and then give your partner 3 heart tricks, or win in his hand and give you another 3 tricks in clubs and spades. By playing on diamonds, you destroy declarer's communication. Declarer could have made his contract by using a different line of play, but this takes nothing away from your fine defensive effort.

TEWARICK

by Rick Tewari

Against a small slam
make a fearless lead.
A singleton in a suit
may do the deed
or from a king or queen
could be all you need.

FROSTY THE SNOWMAN

by Terri Bedard

Frosty the Bridge Player, was a tough cold
guy they say
Playing all the clubs, tournaments & pubs
always getting his own way.

Frosty the Bridge Player, always made his
contract too
bidding up the line, making opposition cry
saying the club he played was blue.

He must have had some good luck too
it can't just all be skill
With a ruff & sluff, an ace in his cuff
he makes overtricks at will!!

Trumpity Trump Trump, Trumpity Trump
Trump
Look at Frosty play
Trumpity Trump Trump, Trumpity Trump
Trump
You'll be as good as me some day!

Frosty the Bridge Player, knew his partner
was hot that day
Rudolf bid a slam while he held back his
hand
and wouldn't let Frosty play.



He tried to steal the very next hand
and was getting pretty sore
but when he bid the final 7NT
he heard him holler "Director!"

Trumpity Trump Trump, Trumpity Trump
Trump
Look at Frosty play
Trumpity Trump Trump, Trumpity Trump
Trump
Now you can melt away!!

Frosty the Bridge Player, wasn't as cool as
he used to be
So he gave up bridge and went back into
the fridge
And we all shouted with Glee!!

Calgary New Year's Sectional

January 8 - 10, 1999

Location: Polish Canadian Cultural Centre
3015 15 St NE

Open Events

Friday, January 8th, 1999

1:30 PM: Stratified IMP Pairs
8:00 PM: Stratified Pairs
Edna Lougheed Pairs

Saturday, January 9th, 1999

1:00 PM: Stratiflighted Open Pairs
(1st session of playthrough)
A: Unlimited (Stand Alone)
B: 300 to 500 (Stratified)
C: 0 to 300 (Stratified)

7:30 PM: Stratiflighted Open Pairs
(2nd session of playthrough)

**Note: Single session players are welcomed
for either session**

Sunday, January 10th, 1999

10:30 AM: Stratified Swiss Teams
(1st Session)

TBA: Stratified Swiss Teams
(2nd Session)

Flighting for Friday & Sunday Games
A: 750⁺ B: 300 - 750 C: 0 - 300

Future Masters Events

Friday, January 8th, 1999

1:30 PM: Future Master Stratified Pairs
8:00 PM: Future Master Stratified Pairs
11:30 PM: Wine & Cheese Reception for
Future Masters

Saturday, January 9th, 1999

1:00 PM: Future Master Stratified Pairs
7:30 PM: Future Master Stratified Pairs

Sunday, January 10th, 1999

10:30 AM: Stratified Swiss Teams
TBA: Stratified Swiss Teams

Stratified Events:
A: 50 - 100
B: 20 - 50
C: 0 - 20

All Future Master Events are Single Session

**President's Trophy will be awarded to the
Future Master who wins the most
Masterpoints in Future Master Events**

Next Unit 390 Sectional: Spring Sectional, March 5 - 7