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**June is National American Pairs (NAP) Qualifying Month**

**Games, Tournaments, Championships in June**

|      | Sunday   | Monday                      | Tuesday                     | Wednesday                   | Thursday  | Friday                                 | Saturday             |
|------|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|--|----------------------|
|      |  |                             | 1                           | 2                           | 3   | 4                                      | 5 ABA/ACBL Sectional |
| Aft. | <sup>1</sup> World Wide Pairs – Sectionally rated \$4.00 extra for half Red/half Black points<br><sup>2</sup> NAP Qualifying Games – \$1 extra earns triple points (half Red/half Black) plus the chance of making it to the North American Pairs **<br>** The top 50% will play in the District NAP final |                             |                             |                             |   |  | I/N Game             |
| Eve. | World Wide Pairs <sup>1</sup>  |                             |                             |                             |   |  |                      |
|      | 6 ABA/ACBL Sectional   | 7                           | 8                           | 9                           | 10  | 11                                     | 12                   |
| Aft. | Regular Game   | Regular Game                | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup> | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup> | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup>   | Unit Game <sup>4</sup>                 | I/N Game             |
| Eve. |  |                             | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup> |                             | Charity Swiss Teams <sup>3</sup>  | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup>            |                      |
|      | 13   | 14                          | 15                          | 16                          | 17  | 18                                     | 19                   |
| Aft. | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup>  | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup> | Regular Game                | Regular Game                | Regular Game  | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup>            | I/N Game             |
| Eve. |  |                             | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup> |                             | PRO-AM Game   | Potluck Dinner+ Unit Game <sup>4</sup> |                      |
|      | 20 <i>Fathers Day</i>  | 21 Rockford Regional        | 22 Rockford Regional        | 23 Rockford Regional        | 24 Rockford Regional  | 25 Rockford Regional                   | 26 Rockford Regional |
| Aft. | Regular Game   | Regular Game                | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup> | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup> | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup>   | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup>            | I/N Game             |
| Eve. |  |                             | Regular Game                |                             | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup>   | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup>            |                      |
|      | 27 Rockford Regional   | 28                          | 29                          | 30                          | <sup>3</sup> Charity Games – Extra \$ & Triple the points<br><sup>4</sup> Unit Games – Double the points with no extra \$\$ |  |                      |
| Aft. | NAP Qualifying <sup>2</sup>  | Regular Game                | Regular Game                | Regular Game                |   |  |                      |
| Eve. |  |                             | Regular Game                |                             |   |  |                      |

**Club News – Special Games this month**

**World Wide Pairs and Grand Opening Party** – Friday June 4<sup>th</sup> will be the first game at our new location. Party @ 6:00 – Bridge @ 7:00. Call Jim O’Neil to let us know you are coming. We want to be sure to have enough food for everyone! Jim’s phone number is 773 710-5198.

**ABA/ACBL Sectional** – Saturday & Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> at the ABA on the Southside – Don't forget the fabulous Lunch for the Teams on Sunday.

**Swiss Team Charity Game** – Thursday June 10<sup>th</sup> – Food Items for Lakeview Pantry.

**Windy City Pro-Am Game** – Thursday evening June 17<sup>th</sup> will see the second Pro-Am game at the club! There is a sign up sheet available – please sign up as a PRO or an AM based on your Masterpoints. Remember our "AM's" are tomorrow's "PRO's" and need the support and help of all the players in the club. No need to try to find a partner, player master points will be used to team up pairs. Come early – Meet up with your partner over dinner at 6:00 – Bridge at 7:00.

**Potluck Dinner & Game** – Friday June 18<sup>th</sup> – Bring a plate to share with other players and make sure you try Phil's "Crock Pot Surprise of the Day"

## Other Club News

### Spring Fling Party & Club Championship



Thursday April 29<sup>th</sup> was the Spring Fling night. Fabulous food, chicken wings, meatballs, filet and caramelized onions on croissants Mmm Mmm with wine, beer and sodas.

Great bridge followed dinner ensuring everyone had a good time.



### First PRO-AM Game @ the Club



The first PRO-AM game at the club was held on Friday April 30<sup>th</sup> and was a great success. Sign up for the second PRO-AM game on 17<sup>th</sup> June ...

With 13 tables of excited AMs lined up with their PROs, Phil had his hands full.



### Monday Afternoon Bridge Lessons

Continuing in June, Patt Quinn is giving FREE lessons on 2 over 1 and "gadgets" that go with 2 over 1. Start time is 11:45am. Register with Patt on 630 220 9053 or Barry Little on 773 327 1168 to attend.

### Gerry Gitles Update

The editor spoke to Gerry on May 26<sup>th</sup> and can report that he's sounding quite "chipper". He's moving from rehab on June 7<sup>th</sup> –his new phone number is 312 705 5100 – Room 706. Give him a call – let's help keep him feeling "chipper" !!!

## Player Achievements

### New/Elevated Bridge Masters

Congratulations to the “newbies” amongst our members who are climbing the ladder towards Life Master

| New Bridge Masters |   |
|--------------------|---|
| Junior Master      | Neel French, Sam Sirko, Lou Smirh, Michael Thvedt, Lisa Radomski                                    |
| Club Master        | Rolf Hoyer, Barbara Levine, Audrey Rubinstein, Janice Abrohams, Robert Black, Mary Fry, Joan Warady |
| Sectional Master   | Sam Borowitz, Dennis Skinder  |
| Regional Master    | Solomon Tam   |
| NABC Master        | Fred Johnston   |

### New/Elevated Life Masters

| New Life Masters |  |
|------------------|--|
| Life Master      | Denyse Holt, Cory Perkers, Jeroen Swinkels |
| Gold Life Master | Steve Cheston, Jonathan Weinstein          |

### Congratulations on successful games at the club:

| Sectional Tournament at Clubs, May 3-9, 2010 |        |                                   |
|--|--------|-----------------------------------|
|  | Strata |                                   |
| Tuesday Afternoon                            | A & B  | Michael Tarkoff & Steve Zeinfeld  |
|  | C      | Bob Malone & Bev Pincus           |
| Wednesday Afternoon                          | A      | Stephen Cheston & Ellen Miller    |
|  | B      | Robert Bachand & Jack Hurs        |
|  | C      | Sylvia Dunne & Roslyn Sheppard    |
| Thursday Afternoon                           | A      | John Bacsa & Robert Oslin         |
| Thursday Evening                             | B      | George Clark & Yuan Shen          |
| Friday Afternoon                             | C      | Robert Bachand & Sharon Solwitz   |
| Friday Evening                               | A      | Steven Cheston & Rosede Olson     |
|  | B      | Gwen Allen & C. James Walsh       |
| Sunday Afternoon                             | A      | L James Phillips & Sharon Solwitz |
|  | B      | Judy Isenberg & Jan Ratliff       |
|  | C      | Yvette Lewis & Harold Burns       |

Well done to the following pairs who have made an impressive 70%+ this past month ...

| 70% + Games |                                   |       |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|-------|
| May 8       | Sharon Solwitz & Mitchell Newman  | 73.77 |
| May 9       | L James Phillips & Sharon Fellars | 73.08 |
| May 12      | Frima Blumenthal & Paul Volkman   | 70.86 |

Congratulations to players who've done really well in May. Some of these pairs were very close to making that magic 70%.

| 65.00 – 69.99% Games |                                  |       |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|-------|
| Apr 30               | Michael Tarkoff & Steve Zeinfeld | 65.28 |
| May 4                | Michael Tarkoff & Steve Zeinfeld | 67.20 |
|                      | Roz Supera & Lynn Turner         | 65.48 |

|           |                                   |       |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|-------|
| May 5     | Stephen Cheston & Ellen Miller    | 66.35 |
| May 6 Aft | John Bacsa & Robert Oslin         | 67.59 |
| May 6 Eve | George Clark & Yuan Shen          | 66.07 |
| May 7 Aft | Michael Tarkoff & Steve Zeinfeld  | 65.00 |
| May 7 Eve | Stephen Cheston & Rosede Olson    | 65.65 |
| May 9     | Judy Isenberg & Jan Ratliff       | 65.25 |
| May 11    | Dorri Goldgehn & Mickey Goldgehn  | 67.50 |
| May 12    | Joe Durlak & Maurice Champagne    | 65.77 |
| May 13    | James Leopold & Robert Weiss      | 68.99 |
| May 15    | William Buchman & Gregory Ward    | 69.92 |
| May 16    | Fawad Hakim & Mohsin Chandna      | 67.99 |
| May 17    | Jack Hurst & Barry Little         | 65.18 |
| May 19    | Colette Novich & Phyllis Chambers | 66.79 |
| May 28    | Stephen Cheston & Rosede Olson    | 66.13 |

**Congratulations to those who've enjoyed success outside the club:**

| District 13 Regional, Lake Geneva, WI, April 19-25, 2010 |               |  |
|--|---------------|--|
| Wednesday/Thursday Compact KO #3                         | 1             | Marilyn Richards   |
| Friday/Saturday Compact KO #2                            | 1             | Randall Roberts, William Cape & Norma Cape                           |
| Saturday Compact Bracket 1                               | 1             | Alan Resser, Sharon Fellars & Rosanne Schabinger                     |
| Friday-Saturday K/O B                                    | 1             | Lynne Rosenbaum  |
| B/C/D Stratified Swiss                                   | 1B            | Jan Ratliff & Norman Segal   |
| Side Events  |               |  |
| Tuesday/Wednesday Side Series                            | 1B            | Daniel Driggett & Russ Rojakovick                                    |
| Thursday Evening Swiss Team                              | 1A<br>1C      | L James Phillips<br>Diane Boger, Barbara Chasnoff & Marilyn Richards |
| Friday Evening Swiss                                     | 1A            | Alan Resser, Rosanne Schabinger & Sharon Fellars                     |
| Thursday/Friday Side Series                              | 1A, 1B<br>&1C | Lisa Heitman & Jay Heitman   |
| Saturday Morning Side                                    | 1A<br>2A, 1B  | Muhammad Abedi<br>Matthew Dyer & Shawn Drenning                      |
| Saturday Afternoon Side Pairs                            | 1A            | Muhammad Abedi   |
| Saturday Side Series                                     | 1/2A          | Muhammad Abedi   |
| 299er Events   |               |  |
| Thursday Evening 299er Pairs                             | 1A, 1B        | Susan Heisler & Diane Kelley   |
| Friday Morning 299er Pairs                               | 1C            | Lynne Reich  |
| Saturday Morning I/N Pairs                               | 1C            | Michael Radzilowsky & Sylvia Dunne                                   |
| Saturday Afternoon 299er Pairs                           | 1/2B, 1C      | Patsy Engelhard & Marty Dunbar                                       |

**299er Champions from Lake Geneva**



Trophies for some of our 299er players.  
 Michael Radzilowsky & Sylvia Dunne ←  
 ← Patsy Engelhard & Marty Dunbar →



## Unit 123 Rankings

Congratulation to these club players who are in the top 10 of their starting ranks in 2010. Check out Phil's "newbies" who make up an impressive number in the under 100 slots.

| Players in the top 10 of Unit 123 ranking at end of last month |  |              |  |
|--|--|--------------|--|
| Mini McKinney  |  | Ace of Clubs |  |
| 0-5  | Samuel Sirko #2<br>Lou Smith #3<br>Gregory Hahn #5<br>John Romalis #6                                  | 0-5          | Samuel Sirko #1<br>Lou Smith #3<br>Gregory Hahn #4<br>John Romalis #5              |
| 5-20   | Neel French #2<br>Michael Thvedt #6<br>Yuan Shen #7  | 5-20         | Neel French #2<br>Yuan Shen #10  |
| 20-50  | Robert Malone #2<br>Gregory Ward #3<br>Michael Radzilowsky #6  | 20-50        | Robert Malone #2<br>Gregory Ward #3<br>Michael Radzilowsky #8                      |
| 50-100   | Robert Zboralski #5  | 50-100       | Robert Zboralski #3<br>Sylvia Dunne #9   |
| 100-200  | Paul Volkman #2<br>Layton Kinney #3<br>Bev Pincus #6   | 100-200      | Paul Volkman #1<br>Layton Kinney #2<br>Bev Pincus #3                               |
| 200-300  | Kent Vlautin #7  | 200-300      | Kent Vlautin #4  |
| 300-500  | Cory Perkers #4<br>Denyse Holt #10   | 300-500      | Cory Perkers #4<br>Denyse Holt #10   |
| 500-1000   | Loring Knoblauch #1<br>Joyce Schneiderbauer #2<br>Judy Isenberg #3<br>George Clark #4<br>Barry Holt #8 | 500-1000     | Joyce Schneiderbauer #1<br>George Clark #2<br>Loren Shapiro #3<br>Judy Isenberg #9 |
| 1000-2500  | Jan Ratliff #4<br>Joseph Stokes #6   | 1000-2500    | Stephen Cheston #2<br>Daniel Driggett #6   |
| 2500-5000  | Lynne Rosenbaum #1<br>Rosanne Schabinger #3<br>Sharon Fellars #7                                       | 2500-5000    | Kay Hathaway #6<br>Ellen (Kay) Miller #7<br>Jim O'Neill #10                        |
| 5000-7500  | Gerald Gitles #4<br>Muhammad Abedi #5<br>Emilie Anderson #6  | 5000-7500    | Emilie Anderson #1<br>Barbara Saben #5   |
| 7500-10000   | L James Phillips #3  | 7500-10000   | L James Phillips #1  |
| 10000+   | Claude Vogel #6<br>George Jacobs #8  | 10000+       | Claude Vogel #1  |