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Rapson and Hicks Honoured

ACBL DISTRICT 1 RECOGNIZE CONTRIBUTIONS

Before the Sunday Swiss at the Annapolis Valley Sectional in September, 2016, trophies were presented by District 1 to recognize the contributions made to duplicate bridge by Bryan Rapson and Karl Hicks over their lengthy bridge careers,

THE GEORGE RETEK TROPHY

George Retek served as District 1 ACBL Director for 33 years and as ACBL representative with the World Bridge Federation. He served as treasurer for both organizations, ACBL president, WBF Vice-President and was instrumental in arranging the World Bridge Championships in Montreal. Upon his retirement, District 1 honored Mr Retek with this trophy to be awarded to District 1 members, who like George, donated many years of exemplary service to their Unit and their District.

Bryan Rapson was the second recipient and the third and latest recipient was Mike Hartop of Moncton presented at the Moncton Sectional in September.

The George Retek Trophy was presented posthumously to Bryan Rapson. Virginia Giza, long-time friend and bridge partner of Bryan accepted the trophy and spoke eloquently on his behalf.

Brian was a philanthropist and an extraordinary volunteer. He spent many years contributing his time to the game of bridge and its players. He served on the Unit 194 Board of Directors and was tournament coordinator for many years.

Brian was the consummate gentleman and meticulous in his scheduling of tournaments, managing supplies, mending tables, boards and other materials in his free time. In his neighborhood in Dartmouth, he would employ local young people for yardwork and tasks relating to bridge. He paid them minimum wage and instructed them to put 10% of their earnings into a bank account. If the young person was a conscientious worker and maintained their account, he continued to employ them.

Bryan was extremely generous with financial donations to various charities, notably the Dalhousie Medical Research Foundation and the QEII Foundation to which he contributed large sums of money.

Bryan was a top player, being the second Maritimer to become a Diamond Life Master earning every point in face to face competition,
Illness ended his bridge career and his life but he left an enduring legacy to us all.

The CUKOFF<LATRAVERSE-WISER (CWL) TROPHY

The CWL trophy is to honor the memories of three great highly respected National Directors and to recognize the best ethical behavior and excellence in tournament or disciplinary administration in previous years in District 1. (District 1 comprises Eastern Ontario, Quebec, and the four Atlantic Provinces).

Henry Cukoff's organizational talents, technical knowledge and fairness especially in protecting less experienced players ranked him among the top directors on the continent.. He was on his way to being an expert player until he chose a career in directing.

Johnny Wisser was the godfather of an entire generation of tournament directors. He was the unquestioned authority on the Laws of Duplicate Bridge and his diplomatic talent was greatly appreciated at local, national and international tournaments.

Jean J LaTraverse, C.A. was loved by everyone he met, His knowledge, sense of humor and friendliness served as prime examples of attributes all directors should have. He served on the National Goodwill Committee and chaired the 1985 Montreal Nationals.

Karl Hicks was the second recipient of the CWL trophy. Kathie MacNab-Halliday introduced Mr. Hicks. Here is her introduction.

Karl Hicks has been directing Maritime tournaments for over 45 years and has gone above and beyond his duties to ensure that the Tournaments in the Maritimes run smoothly and professionally.

For us 'Maritimers'. we were fortunate to have as our own director such a true "Bridge Gentleman", a billboard for bridge ethics and someone who showed by example that treating all players at the table with courtesy and respect increases everyone's overall enjoyment of the game. Knowing that a professional, competent and fair director is coming to the table when the director is called to make a ruling creates a comfortable environment for all players regardless of their skill levels. For this reason, the attendance at our sectionals has increased over the past several years.

In 1991 Karl was the recipient of the ACBL Fred Friendly Award which is presented by the Professional Tournament Directors Association to the Tournament Director who best exemplifies the spirit exhibited by the late Paul Stehley, known as Fred Friendly, for his dedication to making tournaments fun for players.

Karl was an incredible advocate for bridge in Cape Breton as he was President and club manager as well as Director of the Cape Breton Duplicate Bridge Club for many years. He has tirelessly encouraged new players to move forward in competitive bridge at the tournament level as well.

Karl has been editor of The "Maritime Bridge Line" for the past 25 years, a position that produces three news magazines each year containing local bridge information on tournaments and results as well as players' achievements and milestones.

As for his own bridge achievements, Karl is an ACBL Diamond Life Master and an active competitive player winning the Bruce Pairs (0-5000) and the Mini-Spangold Knock-out teams (0-5000) at the Nashville Summer Nationals in 2007 as well as winning the 2016 Canadian Bridge Federation Online Bridge Championships.

Karl is a very deserving recipient of the Cukoff, LaTraverse, Wiser Award. Members of both Unit 194 and Unit 230 congratulate Karl Hicks.

Editor's note. Johnny Wiser, Jean LaTraverse and Henry Cukoff were my mentors, role models, each in his own way, and my friends. I have been fortunate to have worked with and learned from each of them. I am overwhelmed to be the recipient of their trophy and will treasure it going forward. I would like to sincerely thank the District for selecting me for this honor and Kathie for her flattering introduction. I will continue to try my best to make our tournaments enjoyable for all who participate.☺☺☺☺

UNIT 194 RAISES ENTRY FEES

The 2016 Annual General Meeting of Canadian Maritime Unit 194 was held at the Rosario Student Centre at Mount St. Vincent University in Halifax on Saturday, November 12. Under new business, a motion was passed increasing playing fees from the current \$10 per session to \$12.50 per session. The increase is effective January 1, 2017.

Acadian Unit 230 had raised their entry fees to \$12.50 effective July 1, 2016. Now we have a consistent fee structure at all our Maritime tournaments.

This will mean that non-ACBL members and members not current at the time of purchase will be subject to a surcharge of \$3.00 as per current ACBL policy.

REMINDER TO ALL PLAYERS SCENT FREE POLICY

Because of allergies, we have had increasing complaints by players who are placed under stress because some of our players (both male and female) are wearing perfumes, aftershave lotions and other scents in the playing area.

Units 194 and 230 have adopted a scent-free policy and it has been in effect for several years. This is a very difficult policy to enforce. We have been hoping for voluntary compliance but there are still those who are either not aware of the policy or just disregard it.

It is essential that we all cooperate with this scent-free so that all of our layers can enjoy a stress free environment in which to play our favorite game. Directors will be addressing this problem on an individual basis. Please do not be offended if you are an offender as a Director will be following up on complaints.

Please help us eliminate this problem.

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TO FIND MARITIME STAC 2017 RESULTS

1. Go To www.acbl.org On the ACBL home page click on "Tournaments".
2. On the left side bar, scroll down and click on "STACs"
3. On the RESET screen month is "January" and under unit scroll to 194 or 230.
4. Click on SEARCH. Scroll down to the STAC info and click on "results"
5. On this screen scroll to the top and click on "Master Point Winners List"
6. The master point winners appear.
7. For specific events and club results, click on the date and time .

TROPHY WINNERS 2016

Unit 194

LAGAN

1/2. Bill Halliday 109.75	1. Gerardo Malazdrewicz 120.67
1/2. Mark Spear 109.75	2. Jon Shute 115.34
3. Jim Kirby 97.14	3. Mike Wood 115.09
4. Gerry Callaghan 88.89	4/5. Xiaolun Yi 64.93
5. Terry Shaw 88.41	4/5. Peter Coates 64.93
6. Stuart Eastwood 84.21	6. Mark Golding 59.73
7. John Ayer 82.69	7. Ron Duplisea 50.07
8. Bilgin Batman 72.53	8. Edward Hynes 47.99
9. Rod MacKenzie 64.11	9. Brian Mciver 35.91
10. Bill Camp 61.54	10. Leo Mahoney 35.84
11. Mike Tanner 60.64	11. Jim Praught 32.60
12. Dan Landry 57.89	12. Grant Godfrey 30.26
13. Alan Doane 52.16	13. Mike Hartop 28.74
14. Leo Weniger 40.23	14. George Colter 27.80
15. Dave Scammell 39.77	15. Robbie Kitchen 23.84
16. Charles Fortune 38.83	16. Rick Wu 23.52

Unit 230

SPRINGHILL

McLEOD

1/2. Elizabeth Legacy 98.48
1/2. Kathie MacNab 98.48
3. Brenda Kirby 97.14
4. Jo Ann Lynds 38.80
5. Margaret Ann Dodson 33.66
6. Marylyn Rudolph 30.72
7. Sandra MacPherson 27.62
8. Susan Hubley 27.49
9. Virginia Giza 27.22
10. Lesley Ruggles 27.04
11. Jill McCormick 26.79
12. Maureen Donovan 26.09
13. Mary MacKay 25.42
14. Irene Szabla 24.65
15. Adele Stewart 23.65
16. Beverley Snow 23.17

CALLAGHAN

1. Anne Posch 115.34
2. Mary Cotter 115.09
3. Anne Mahoney 46.10
4. Trisha Malazdrewicz 81.62
5. Ann Hartop 26.16
6. Donna Girouard 24.45
7. Helen MacDonald 24.37
8. Cindy Havens 21.77
9. Sandra Fox 22.06
10. Lynne Dunn 19.47
11. Diane Banks 16.67
12. Cindy Wedge 14.93
13. Bette Doherty 14.71
14. Darlene Fraser 14.53
15. Sandra Fox 14.26
16. Connie Bartlett 14.05

2016 MASTERPOINT MILESTONES

Emerald Life Master (7500+)

Diamond Life Master (5000+)

KARL HICKS, Dominion, NS **TERRY SHAW, Halifax, NS**
DANIEL LANDRY, Hubley, NS **JOHN BEASY, Sackville, NB**

Sapphire Life Master (3500+)

BILGIN BATMAN, Bridgewater, NS **MARCIA SHAW, Halifax, NS**
DENIS MURPHY, Coldbrook, NS **MARY MACKAY, Halifax, NS**

Gold Life Master (2500+)

MENASHE CIEPLINSKI, Halifax, NS **ROSEMARY SAMPSON, Williamswood, NS**
GLENDA MILLS, Kentville, NS **GERARDO MALAZDREWICZ, Amherst, NS**

Ruby Life Master (1500+)

YVETTE CLOUTIER, Edmunston, NB **MARY JANE BROWN, Bedford, NS**
BRIAN HANNON, Miramichi, NB **ALDEO LONG, Edmundston, NB**
HELEN MACDONALD, Fredericton, NB **LYNNE TOLSON, Bedford, NS**
LYDIA PRANGE, Wolfville, NS **RUSSELL KEATING, Halifax, NS**
MYRNA MURPHY, Kentville, NS **HAROLD WOOD, Halifax, NS**

Silver Life Master (1000+)

EILEEN WAKEHAM, St. John's, NL **BRUCE WATSON, St. John's, NL**
SANDRA MACPHERSON, Halifax, NS **ELIZABETH FORTUNATO, Miramichi, NB**
RONALD MACKNIGHT, Kentville, NS **GRANT GODFREY, Saint John NB**
JUNE TAYLOR, Halifax, NS **VERNA PETRIE, New Waterford, NS**
JUDY D'ENTREMONT, Lwr-W-Pubnico, NS **DOROTHY CHISHOLM, Halifax NS**
CANDACE FLEMMING, Halifax, NS **ADELE STEWART, Halifax, NS**
ROSALIE VAN WART, Edmundston, NB **PETER RANS, Halifax, NS**
COLETTE CORBIN, Edmundston, NB **OSCAR KOLLER, Mactaquac, NB**
MIKE COVEY, Middle Sackville, NB **VICKI O'DEA, St. John's, NL**
DIANE LIVINGSTONE, Halifax, NS **GINNY SAUNDERS, Dartmouth, NS**
JOAN FITZGERALD, St. John's, NL **HIND BLICK, Bedford, NS**

Bronze Life Master (500+)

PAMELA HICKMAN, Canning, NS* **SHEILA LEARD, Bedford, NS**
SHEILA BAIRD, Halifax, NS **DEBBIE GARSON, Halifax, NS***
ANNIE WILLIAMS, Halifax, NS **ALLEN MITCHELL, Moncton, NB**
WINNIFRED STEEVES, Saint John, NB **E ANNE MITCHELL, Truro, NS**
HELEN BURNS, Canning, NS **CAROLE ANNE PATTERSON, Halifax, NS***
GRAHAM WATERS, Halifax, NS* **GUY MAUGEAIS, Dieppe, NB**
ROBERT COLAVECCIA, Waverly, NS* **VALERIE BRISCO, Halifax, NS**
JOHN DOW, Berwick, NS **VICKI TRAYNOR, Canning, NS***
INEZ VAUTOUR, Truro, NS **CONNIE BARTLETT, Moncton, NB**
JENNIFER HUNTSMAN, Moncton, NB **BEV HANSON, Moncton, NB**
MARY LYNN MACDONALD, Halifax, NS* **VERNA MACLEOD, Halifax, NS***
GEORGE MITCHELL, Douglas, NB **DONNA STEEVES, Sussex, NB**

(* indicates that the player also achieved Life Master Rank during 2016)

Life Master (300+)

GLEN DEXTER, Halifax, NS	PAMELA HICKMAN, Canning, NS
CHARLES FORTUNE, Stellarton, NS	JUDITH MCINTYRE, St.John's, NL
MYRA SHEPPARD, St.John's, NL	DEBBIE GARSON, Halifax, NS
MARGIE KNICKLE, Halifax, NS	GEORGE MITCHELL, Douglas, NB
ROBERT MURRAY, Kingston, NB	VALERIE BRISCO, Halifax, NS
MARLENE DEXTER, Halifax, NS	DONALD LUTZ, Fall River, NS
CAROLE ANNE PATTERSON, Halifax, NS	GRAHAM WATERS, Halifax, NS
JEAN PROFIT, Kensington, PE	BEV HANSON, Moncton, NB
MARGE HANSON, Moncton, NB	GUY MAUGEAIS, Dieppe, NB
ROSE BAKER, Halifax, NS	JOY BOOKHOLT, Fall River, NS
ROBERT COLAVECCHIA, Waverley, NS	DANIEL LABRIE, Halifax, NS
VICKI TRAYNOR, Canning, NS	MALCOLM MILLAR, Summerside, PE
MICHAEL PARMENTER, St.John's, NL	ROGER BUCKLAND, Shediac, NB
YVES CHARTRAND, Hebron, NS	RAY BOUDREAU, Truro, NS
MARY LYNN MACDONALD, Halifax, NS	VERNA MACLEOD, Halifax, NS
MARYLYN RUDOLPH, Truro, NS	

On behalf of all of the members of Unit 194 and Unit 230, I would like to extend our congratulations to the players above who have achieved these ranks through their pursuit of excellence and devotion to the game of bridge. ☺☺☺☺☺

IN MEMORIAM

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of the following bridge players

**Barb Fowler, Glace Bay, NS
Rene Aves, Saint John, NB
John Madegan, St.John's, NL
Mary Cox, Saint John, NB**

VALERIE BEST

Valerie moved to the Annapolis Valley in 1988 from Winnipeg. She had a history of community involvement and varied interests but bridge was her passion, She played at the valley clubs and managed the Ken-Wo DBC for a couple of years.

A certified Club Director, she took over the Woodville's Friday Night Game creating the Friday Night Bridge Club which she now owned and managed,

Valerie became a Life Master in 1994 and an accredited ACBL Bridge Teacher/ Since 1996 Valerie taught over 300 people to play and enjoy bridge and became a 5-Star Accredited Teacher in 2007. She started the Valley Bridge club at her home and also moved the Friday Night to her home in Prospect.

Valerie's contribution to the current hotbed of bridge in the Valley cannot be overstated. We all mourn her passing.

UNIT 194 TOP 100 MASTERPOINT LIST

(ACBL Files on January 2017 rounded to the nearest point)

1. Patricia Harris	8909	51. Bryson Crowell	2701
2. Elizabeth Legacy	7162	52. Brian Hansen	2665
3. Leo Weniger	6717	53. Larry Mock	2655
4. Myrtle Moulton	6708	54. Gerardo Malazdrewicz	2641
5. Stuart Eastwood	6674	55. Menashe Cieplinski	2641
6. Bill Haliday	5607	56. Louise Fisher	2542
7. James Cole	5577	57. Glenda Mills	2536
8. Kathie MacNab	5558	58. Joy Cavazzi	2585
9. James Kirby	5497	59. Don Presse	2466
10. Ralph Fisher	5406	60. Beryl Higgs	2393
11. Terry Shaw	5319	61. Linda Tuff	2383
12. Dan Landry	5284	62. Peter Ineson	2230
13. Karl Hicks	5029	63. Susan Hubley	2199
14. Jim Mathers	4833	64. Ron Levy	2126
15. Alan Doane	4588	65. Fred Struve	2122
16. Gerry Callaghan	4423	66. Jessie Sanford	2110
17. John Ayer	4322	67. Doug Miller	2053
18. Eric Balkam	4234	68. Gary Brown	2045
19. Virginia Giza	3921	69. Elizabeth Frye	2044
20. Rod MacKenzie	3859	70. Roy Bungay	2038
21. Boyd Wells	3851	71. Victor Goldberg	2015
22. Gerry Murphy	3523	72. Elsie Adams	2000
23. George Holland	3802	73. Richard Lash	2000
24. Bilgin Batman	3786	74. Tom Dale	1973
25. Marcia Shaw	3734	75. Beverley McDonald	1968
26. Randy Bennett	3729	76. David Scammell	1957
27. Gerry Soucy	3603	77. Lorna Stock	1947
28. Denis Murphy	3546	78. Sheila Cardone	1944
29. Mary Mackay	3503	79. Sharron Josey	1934
30. Roy Landry	3484	80. David Morse	1928
31. Ted Withers	3466	81. Elaine MacKeigan	1911
32. Carol Thompson	3454	82. Marilyn Bennett	1887
33. Ken Eisner	3423	83. Bill Cruden	1871
34. Trisha Malazdrewicz	3368	84. Brenda Kirby	1839
35. Jill McCormick	3301	85. Bob Chase	1828
36. John Stewart	3174	86. Scott MacDougall	1786
37. Roy Perry	3157	87. John Tolson	1777
38. Steve Anderson	3156	88. Elianor Kennie	1775
39. Brian Delong	3146	89. Scott MacDougall	1698
40. Carolyn MacDonald	3136	90. Elianor Kennie	1675
41. R Elwin Brown	3076	91. Jane MacDonald	1768
42. Doug McAvoy	2985	92. Kathleen Di Profio	1766
43. Edgar Blinn	2970	93. Dave Oulton	1765
44. Bill Camp	2940	94. David Wandler	1764
45. Rosemary Sampson	2807	95. Brian Collins	1759
46. Hugh Shankel	2784	96. Marjorie Wandler	1739
47. Richard Desmarais	2740	97. Hazel Harlow	1723
48. Ian Crowe	2734	98. Marie Floyd	1710
49. Jo Ann Lynds	2729	99. Bill Knoll Jr	1683
50. Brenda Woodman	2704	100. Carol Grover	1674

UNIT 230 TOP 100 MASTERPOINT HOLDERS

(ACBL Files on January 6, 2017 rounded to the nearest point)

1. GERRY LAFLAMME	9750	51. Eddie Cormier	1656
2. Garnet De Merchant	9148	52. Jacqueline Carrier	1651
3. Mike Hartop	6540	53. Catherine Profit	1599
4. Sandra Fox	6284	54. Aldeo Long	1583
5. Jim Praught	5925	55. Marilyn Barry	1581
6. John Beasy	5008	56. Brian Hannon	1554
7. Mary Cotter	5000	57. Yvette Cloutier	1548
8. George Colter	4786	58. Stania Truka	1528
9. Ann Hartop	4310	59. Leona Cooper	1486
10. Barbara MacKay	4138	60. Bill Sharpe	1480
11. Jon Shute	3793	61. Wade Short	1466
12. Anne Posch	3790	62. Evelyn Ross	1459
13. Norm O'Brien	3628	63. Adelbert Roche	1427
14. Greta Rawlines	3356	64. Carl Bagnol	1426
15. Ron Duplisea	3329	65. Ed Toczko	1407
16. Helen Colter	3199	66. Neil O'Brien	1403
17. Chris Rawlines	3083	67. Willis Renouf	1396
18. Alice Manzer	3032	68. Norma Keswick	1387
19. Anne Mahoney	2920	69. John Steeves	1368
20. Carol Mann	2919	70. Grace Dickison	1368
21. Mike Wood	2799	71. Elayne Laughland	1365
22. Judy Losier	2768	72. Bill Springer	1365
23. Gord Chippin	2710	73. J Davis Robertson	1342
24. Florence Griffin	2705	74. Patricia Maher	1342
25. Bob Melles	2690	75. David Ingham	1339
26. Bob Losier	2639	76. Esmee McKenzie	1283
27. Edward Hynes	2627	77. W Barry Budge	1277
28. Simone Sullivan	2328	78. Marilyn Macdiarmid	1276
29. Mike Moses	2306	79. Bob Hambly	1275
30. Charles Dionne	2290	80. Les Barkhouse	1255
31. Mary Sue Burns	2278	81. Alice Whitty	1168
32. Leo Mahoney	2265	82. Peter Coates	1160
33. Judy Reilly	2152	83. Sandy Stevens	1157
34. Lynn Stanley	2051	84. Catherine MacNeill	1153
35. Jean Williamson	2046	85. Lynda Sharpe	1149
36. Gerard Whalen	2016	86. James Coster	1142
37. Jack O'Brien	2010	87. Kay Hayes	1138
38. Claire McEwen	1965	88. Edith Young	1130
39. Sam Ghosh	1953	89. Edouard Eddie	1127
40. Gwen MacDonald	1899	90. Elizabeth Fortunato	1125
41. Therese Butler	1887	91. Margie Bawn	1122
42. Mark Golding	1844	92. Wally MacDonald	1115
43. Louise Jones	1802	93. Robbie Kitchen	1101
44. Bob Baker	1796	94. David Rose	1085
45. Perter Samson	1769	95. Grant Godfrey	1085
46. Bob Simmonds	1743	96. Shirley Matchett	1084
47. Rob McCosh	1705	97. Helen Murray	1083
48. Helen MacDonald	1683	98. Rosalie Van Wart	1051
49. Mike Flewelling	1667	99. Oscar Koller	1044
50. Bob Brown	1654	100. Colette Corbin	1020



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DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Fall 2016

Orlando: Magic Kings and Queens

The Fall NABC was held at a beautiful hotel in excellent surroundings. Play was all in one building with excellent playing conditions. Finding reasonably priced places to eat was difficult as was parking. The tournament was well run, with excellent hospitality. Attendance was down, probably due to a decrease in local attendance (see above reasons) and the exchange rate for Canadians. Table count was 10,592 tables, less than the 13,000 budgeted.

The meetings were highlighted by the consideration of the ACBL Strategic Plan, a serious look at how the Board of Directors operates, with shorter meetings, more work done between meetings, and a move from being motions driven to being more strategic focused. Focus this year will be on clubs, volunteers and membership recruitment and retention.

At the end of this report, I am listing major results by District 1 players at the NABC. I have also included a bridge article which I have written.

I am looking for other bridge article contributors. All I ask is that it be approximately one page long and that it be done in Word. Next one would be needed for my report after the Kansas City NABC which is in March.

Highlights of the Orlando Board of Directors Meetings

Bob Heller was elected ACBL President for 2017 replacing **Ken Monzingo** who is now Chairman of the Board.

At the Board of Governors meeting **Richard Popper** was elected Chairman of the BoG.

Merlin Vilhauer was elected ACBL representative to the WBF.

Jean La Traverse and Kathie Macnab were certified as elected 1st and 2nd Alternate Directors for District 1.

Eddie Wold was appointed ACBL Honorary Member for 2017.

Membership is 168,352, 91 down from the beginning of the year.

Regional table count is down 1.8% compared to last Oct on 3 additional Regionals. Average table count per tournament was down 4.5%.

Sectional attendance was flat on 1 more tournament, and average table count was flat.

STACs table count was down 3.9% on 4 fewer tournaments. Average table count was up 2.62%

Total tournament tables decreased 3.5% with 7 fewer tournaments held.

Club Table count: Table count for the 1st 9 months was 2,416,990 tables of which 782,334 are from on-line games. Face-to-face club table count is relatively flat compared to last year.

Information Technology: 3 new servers were installed at Horn Lake and software development continued.

Finance: Year to date through Oct. shown an increase in net assets from Operations is a gain of \$774K. The forecast to the end of 2016 estimates an increase in net assets of \$701K, \$600K higher than the 101K budget increase. The main driver of this positive variance includes \$250K in unbudgeted BBO income, which offsets lower than expected tournament revenue, and total expenses which are expected to be \$485 K lower than budget.

The Longest Day: This was held a day earlier on June 20th due to leap year. 252 clubs in Canada and US participated. There was a Canada-specific event held called Trump Alzheimer's Contre. Players were surveyed and most indicated that they enjoy The Longest Day and ACBL's participation gives them pride in the organization

Pianola: All units and districts have been invited to use Marketing Solutions. To date 141 user accounts have been created. The product is being used to fulfill Tournament E-mails Services. Marketing plans to continue use and maximization of the service to units and districts through a series of e-mail coaching communications.

Actions and Motions approved at the Orlando Board of Directors Meetings

The club fee increase for STACs which was raised this year by \$1, was rescinded, effective Apr. 1. 2017.

The experiment with holding online events at regional tournaments is continued for 2 years. Participation of players outside the host district must be approved by the player's district. District 1 players will participate on a limited basis in the Sandestin (FL) Regional on Jan 23rd.

Board of Directors Meetings will be shorter and end on the day before the Board of Governors Meeting, saving expenses.

ACBL's providing funds for BoD spousal pre-tournament activities is discontinued.

New Educational Foundation Bylaws were approved. This removes District Directors from being Foundation Members ex-officio. I voted against this.

Drop ins are not allowed from team events to premier pairs events.

Hand records used in concurrent National Rated events shall be used only in those events for all sessions.

Electronic Devices penalties guidelines for all events at NABCs were approved.

Wagar Women's KO Team event is removed from the Summer NABC schedule and the Wagar Women's Pairs event has been added to the Summer NABC schedule, both effective June 2017.

Machlin Women's Swiss has been removed from the Spring NABC schedule effective June 2017.

Giving \$200 to NAP District Final players finishing 3rd and attending the National final and \$100 to those finishing 4th was defeated. I voted for this.

A motion to allow 2nd place teams in flights B and C of the GNT District final with more than 8 teams to go to National Final at their own expense was defeated. I voted against.

Live streaming and taping for the ACBL website of BoD and BoG meetings was defeated. It would be too costly.

The Operating budget for 2017 was received with revenues over expenses \$234,283. The proposed budget includes a sizeable increase for a 1 year membership but a very small increase for a 3 year membership. I can live with that except that according to our bylaws, there are no refunds for membership dues. Since we are pushing people to a 3 year membership I think there should be pro-rated refund in the event of the death of a member who has a 3 year membership, and I am going to work towards that.

The Capital budget of \$355,750 was submitted.

At least 75% of the ACBL's Investment Portfolio must be in fixed income securities with no more than 10% in equities. Asset allocation is determined by the ACBL Finance Committee and reviewed at every Summer NABC Meetings.

Daylong on-line robot games were approved. They may be up to 18 hours to play and must be a minimum of 18 boards. Fees and MP awards were approved.

District News

World Senior Pairs: Congratulations to **Joseph Silver** for (appropriately) winning the silver medal in the World Senior Pairs in Wroclaw, Poland with **John Carruthers**.

World Open Teams: Congratulations to **Kamel Fergani, Nick L'Écuyer, Zygmunt Marcinski** and **Frederic Pollack**, along with ex-Montrealer Nick, and Judith Gartaganis for coming 5/8 in this prestigious event, defeating Italy in the round of 16.

Grand National Teams 2016 Championship Flight: Congratulations to **Jeffrey Smith, John Zaluski, Kamel Fergani** and **Frederic Pollack** for coming 3/4.

District President: Congratulations to **Jean La Traverse** on his election to this demanding post. I'm sure he will do an excellent job. Thank you to **Doug Hamilton** for all his hard work as President.

Unit Presidents: We have 3 new presidents: **Christine Bourbeau** (Montreal Unit 151), **France Roy-Dion** (Quebec Unit 151) and **Lydia Prange** (Maritime Unit 194).

Alternate District Directors: Congratulations to **Jean La Traverse** and **Kathie Macnab** on their election to 1st and 2nd Alternate Directors respectively. Thanks to **Nick L'Écuyer** for his service in this position.

- The **Cukoff-Latraverse-Wiser (CLW) Award**: Named after outstanding deceased National Tournament Directors from District 1, this award recognizes excellent life time service to directors and promoters of ethics in bridge. The District Board is pleased to announce that this year's winner is **Karl Hicks**.
- The **George Retek Award**: Presented to an individual who has given a great deal of excellent volunteer service to our District and Units, this award winner will be announced at the District meeting in August. Last year's winner was the late **Bryan Rapson** and this year's winner is **Mike Hartop**.
- **National Charity Committee and National Goodwill Committee**: Each year District Directors select members to these prestigious committees, in honour of their service to bridge and to the qualities that demonstrate while playing. I am pleased to announce that I have appointed **Richard Kenny, Louise Mascolo and Michel Montplaisir** to the Goodwill Committee and **Thomas Deri and Carol Hamilton** to the Charity Committee. All are most deserving of this honour.
- **District Charity Grants**: This year all District Directors have been allowed to donate total of \$1000 US, to worthy registered charities in their District. I have decided to make 4 donations to small charities where small donations will make a difference. This year I have arranged for donations of \$250 to be given to: Feed Nova Scotia which provides food to many food banks in NS, St. Dunstan's Basilica Refugee Committee, which is supporting Syrian families in Charlottetown, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Ottawa, and Spencer House, a centre for seniors in Halifax which provides activities and inexpensive meals for seniors.
- **Regional Tournaments**: Please come to our District's tournaments. The May Regional will be in Quebec City, CBF Regional is in Kingston May/June and for the first time in many years, the CanAt will be in Moncton in June/July. Montreal will host the Can-Am in August and the National Capital Regional will be in Ottawa in October.
- **Upcoming NABCs**: Kansas City (March 2017) Toronto (July 2017), San Diego (Nov/Dec 2017), Montreal (Summer 2020).
- **GNT National Finals**: The National Finals will be held at the Toronto NABC, an excellent chance to participate at a low cost. The District finals will be held in Montréal (Laval) on April 2nd for Flights Open and B, and in Halifax on May 13 for Flights A and C. Club or Unit qualifying are not required to play in the District finals.
- **NAP Finals**: The National Finals will be held at the Spring NABC in Kansas City. Good luck to all our representatives. I'm sure you will make us proud.
- **District Charity Game**: This was held in November. A special thank you to Rob and Annie Williams who did an excellent job coordinating this under especially trying personal circumstances.
- **District Meetings**: The District 1 Annual Meeting will be held at the Can-Am on Saturday of the Can-Am Regional in Laval, QC. There are also 3-4 District Board conference calls were also held during the year.

Golden and Platinum Performances in Orlando

The following is a listing of excellent achievements by District 1 players. I am listing the top 25 placings in NABC events (2+ days) and 1st or 2nd in Regional (2 session +) events. As I am doing this manually, I apologize in advance if I missed someone. If you e-mail me, I will correct this in my next report. (CKO = Compact KO).

1. P. Drew Cannell: 1st Ed. Found. KO1, 1st Sun-Tues am KO1, 2nd Tues Swiss , 2nd Wed A Swiss, 14th NABC Mixed Swiss
2. Nicolas L'Écuyer: 10th Open BAM, 1st Sat-Sun KO1
3. Kamel Fergani: 24th Blue Ribbon Pairs, 1st Sat CKO
4. Frédéric Pollack: 1st Sat CKO
5. Maxime Nault and Paulin Nault: 2nd Tues-Wed KO3, 2nd Sat CKO
6. Leo Weniger: 13th 10K Swiss, 1st Thurs CKO 3
7. George Retek: 13th 10K Swiss, 10th 10K IMP Pairs
8. Xavier Combey and Marc Lachapelle: 1st Sun Open Pairs A
9. Robert Tremblay, Gérard Turcotte, Alain Dufour, Denis Lafrance: 1st Fri-Sat CKO1, 2nd Sat-Sun KO1, 1st Mon -Tues CKO1, 2nd Tues Swiss X
10. Louise Berthiaume, Jean La Traverse, Chantal Dubé, Josette Lévesque: 1st Wed-Thurs KO4, 1st Fri-Sat KO2
11. Janet Parsons: 2nd Ed. Found. KO 2, 1st Fri-Sat KO3, 2nd Wed Swiss D, 1st Thurs CKO6, 2nd Sat CKO 4
12. Mike Buist and Peter Rans: 2nd Ed. Found. KO 2, 1st Fri-Sat KO3, 1st Thurs CKO6, 2nd Sat CKO 4
13. Serge Chevalier, André Chartrand, Charles Martineau: 5/8th Baze Senior KO
14. Bob Zeller: 13th 10K Swiss
15. Hind Blick and Gary Brown: 2nd Tues Open Pairs B, 1st Thurs CKO 3
16. Carolyn MacDonald and Donald Lewis: 1st Thurs-Fri Daylight KO 1
17. Cheryl Macintosh and Patti McCabe: 1st Mon-Thurs KO3
18. Ghassan Menachi: 1st/2nd Wed Swiss X
19. David Halliday and George Mitchell: 1st Tues Gold Rush Pairs
20. Elianor Kennie: 2nd Wed-Thurs KO3
21. Judith and Eric Marshall: 1st Sun Swiss D
22. Kay and Brian Richardson: 1st Tues Daylight Pairs C

Please see my article below.

See you in Kansas City, MO.

Leo

New Year's Eve Hand

By Leo Weniger

Interesting hands can come along anytime. Even at a New Year's Party, after a pot luck supper and social bridge on the last night of the year. The following hand was played in a match point game, so I was lucky to have a hand record of it.

Dealer: East

♠ K 8 4 3
♥ K 9 7
♦ K Q J
♣ Q 7 6

♠ Q J 9 6 2
♥ J T 5 4 2
♦ 8 7
♣ 9

♠ T 5
♥ Q 8 5
♦ T 4 2
♣ J T 4 3 2

♠ A 7
♥ A 3
♦ A 9 6 5 3
♣ A K 8 5

The auction was (Both Vulnerable):

West	North	East	South
		P	1♦
P	1♠	P	2NT
P	6NT	---	All Pass ---

Opening Lead: ♥J

As you can see there are 12 top tricks, but playing match points you want to make 13.

Other than a 3-3 club break, the best chance is for a double squeeze, in which both opponents have to protect a suit thus both unguarding a 3rd suit which takes the extra trick. In this hand, East has to guard clubs and West has to guard Spades, so eventually the ♥9 will be the 13th trick.

You carefully win with the ♥A, cash the ♠A and ♠K, and then run 5 Diamonds discarding a Spade and a Club from dummy. On the 4th and 5th Diamond East has to discard a Club and a Heart. West can discard down 1 Spade and 3 Hearts and a Club (or 2 Spades and 2 Hearts and 1 Club).

The ending is:

♠ Q J
♥ 10 5
♦ --
♣ 9

♠ 8
♥ K 9
♦ --
♣ Q 7

♠ --
♥ Q
♦ --
♣ J T 8 5

♠ --
♥ 3
♦ --
♣ A K 8 5

Now 3 Clubs are cashed, and West must discard major cards. South cashes the ♣Q, ♣K and ♣A, and on the ♣A discards the ♠8. West can discard the ♠J on the 2nd Club, but must either discard the ♠Q (before North plays) or a Heart. Either way either the ♠8 or the ♥9 becomes the 13th trick.

But the story of this hand is not over. Let's say you are in 7♦, how would you make it?

You could play it as above, but another way would be as a dummy reversal. On a Heart lead, you would start by ruffing your 3rd heart low. You would get to dummy with a trump and then play ♠A and ♠K and ruff a Spade with the 9♦, then get to dummy with a trump. You would then ruff dummy's last Spade with the ♦A, and get to dummy with the ♣Q and pull the last trump, pitching declarer's losing Club and then claim. To make this all you need are expected breaks in trumps and Hearts and Spades (or North to be short in Spades).

Not a bad deal for one of the last hands of 2016!

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY RESULTS

Roger Millett Community Centre, New Minas, NS S1609082 Sept 23-25, 2016

Friday Afternoon Annapolis Valley Pairs

Flight A 23 tables

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|--|--------|
| 1. Elizabeth Legacy – Kathie MacNab, Halifax, NS | 72.32% |
| 2. Bilgin Batman, Bridgewater, NS – Terry Shaw, Halifax, NS | 67.86 |
| 3. David Morse, New Minas, NS - Matthew Morse, Kentville, NS | 61.93 |
| 7. John Davidson – Lesley Ruggles, Antigonish, NS (1 st B, 1 st C) | 58.96 |

Friday Evening International Fund Pairs

Flight A 27 tables

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|---|-------|
| 1. Sandra Wood – Hal Wood, Halifax, NS | 66.86 |
| 2. Brian Maciver, Moncton, NB – Ron Duplisea, Long Reach, NB | 64.39 |
| 6. Hind Blick – Peter Rans, Halifax, NS (1 st B) | 56.25 |
| 10. Denis Almon, N. Sydney, NS – Teresa MacEachern, Glace Bay (1 st C) | 52.08 |

SATURDAY, September 24

Morning Flight AX PAIRS 15 tables

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|---|--------|
| 1. Anthony Morris-Doug Miller, Dartmouth, NS(1 st X) | 320.03 |
| 2. Brian Hansen – Glenda Mills, Kentville, NS | 316.30 |
| 3. Kathie MacNab – Elizabeth Legacy | 311.36 |
| 4. Gerardo Malazdrewicz, Amherst-Mike Tanner, Halifax | 304.12 |

Sat Morning FLIGHT BCD Pairs 20 tables

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|--|--------|
| 1. Lesley Ruggles, Antigonish, NS – John Davidson, F' ton, NB(1 st C) | 62.50% |
| 2. Dodi Walsh, Dartmouth, NS-Brian Ferguson, Halifax(2 nd C) | 62.24 |
| 3. Martha Suhr, Halifax- Trish Hattie, Fall River, NS (3 rd C) | 62.20 |
| 7. Kathy Rose, Trenton, NS – Joyce Pierce, Wolfville, NS(1 st D) | 54.13 |

Sat Afternoon Flight BCD Pairs 20 tables

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|---|-------|
| 1. Peter Oomen, Wolfville – Gwen Kenny, New Minas, NS(1 st C) | 64.88 |
| 2. Linda Sorel, Antigonish, NS-Robbie MacEachern, New Waterford(2 nd C, 1 st D) | 60.42 |
| 3. Bruce Walker – Linda Walker, Wilmot, NS(3 rd C) | 59.82 |
| 4. Jim Patterson, Hantsport, NS –Bill Spurr, Windsor (4 th C, 2 nd B) | 58.93 |

SUNDAY, September 25

FLIGHT AX SWISS 21 teams

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|---|-----|
| 1. Jon Shute – Anne Posch – Gerardo Maladrewicz – Mike Tanner | 104 |
| 2. Dan Landry – Dave Scammell – Bilgin Batman – Terry Shaw | 91 |
| 3. Rod MacKenzie – Alan Doane – Virginia Giza – Leo Weniger | 89 |
| 4. Trisha Malazdrewicz – Jim Mathers – Ken Eisner – Gerry Murphy | 86 |
| 7. Brian Delong – Fran Delong – Del Knox – Rick Sparkman(1 st X) | 76 |

FLIGHT BCD SWISS 24 teams

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|---|----|
| 1. Annie Williams – Rob Williams – Martha Suhr – Trish Hattie | 94 |
| 2. Gaye MacDonald-Beverly Snow=Margaret House-Anne Mitchell(1 st C) | 91 |
| 3. Pam Hickman – Vicki Traynor =Beverly Harrison – Muffy Baltzer | 88 |
| 4. Erv Blakeney – Marg Blakeney – Jean MacKenzie – Pat Payne | 86 |
| 7. David Morrison – Richard Sisco – George Hogg – Christine Hogg(1 st D) | 66 |

215 tables

SPUD ISLAND RESULTS

Courtyard at Rodd Royalty, Charlottetown, PE S1610153 October 14-16, 2016

FRIDAY, October 14 SPUD ISLAND PAIRS

Flight A 31 tables

1. Melvin Affleck ,Bedeque- Duncan McKillop,Summerside, PE (1st B, 1st C) 180.94
2. Jim Kirby – Brenda Kirby, Dartmouth,NS 172.00
3. Mike Wood – Mary Cotter, Fredericton, NB 169.07
4. Lorne Cock Lydia Fox, Truro, NS(2nd B) 160.50

FRIDAY EVENING PAIRS

Flight A 29 tables

1. Rick Wu, Charlottetown – Bill Sharpe, Vernon Bridge(1st B) 112.50
2. Stuart Eastwood, Halifax, NS – John Ayer, Dartmouth, NS 110.70
3. Linda Cobham-Gerry Laflamme,Grand Bay-Westfield, NB 104.01
9. Nancy Rogers, Port Williams=Jim Paterson, Hantsport(4th B,1st C) 94.87

SATURDAY, October 15 OPEN PAIRS

FLIGHT AX 14 tables

1. Terry Shaw, Halifax, NS – Edward Hynes, Penobsquis, NB 366.50
2. George Colter, Fredericton, NB- Grant Godfrey, Saint John, NB 363.50
3. Sandra MacPherson, Halifax – Anne Mahoney, Moncton, NB 349.50
7. Ed Kaine, Rothesay, NB-Ron Duplisea, Long Reach, NB(1st X) 323.00

FLIGHT BCD 18.5 tables

- 1 Yves Chartrand, Hebron, NS – David Etter, Bedford, NS 393.82
2. Graham Waters – Linda Smith, Halifax, NS 377.42
3. Darlene Fraser – David Fraser, Quispamsis, NB(1st C,1st D) 369.76
4. Margaret Dobson – Irene Szabla, Pictou, NS (2nd C) 352.96

SUNDAY, October 16

FLIGHT AX SWISS 19 teams

1. Stuart Eastwood = John Ayer – Brenda Kirby – Jim Kirby 93
2. George Colter – Grant Godfrey- Helen MacDonald – Dale Murray 92
3. Mark Spear – Bill Halliday – Kathie MacNab – Elizabeth Legacy 90
4. Virginia Giza – Marcia Shaw – Larry Mock – Kent Ritchie 88
5. Graham Waters – Linda Smith – Cynthia Burney – Candace Flemming(1st X) 86

FLIGHT BCD 24 teams

1. Yves Chartrand - David Etter - Cindy Wedge – Richard Kenny 92
2. John Davidson-J Brian Sanderson-Margaret Dodson-Irene Szabla(1st C) 81
3. Wendy McCrea-Betty Mciver-Claire Barnett-Alan Barnett(2nd C,1st D) 79
- 4/5. Jennifer Huntsman- Connie Bartlett- Sharon Cupples- Shane Savage 78
- 4/5.Duncan McKillop – Melvin Affleck- Malcolm Millat – Rosalyn Millat 78

185 total tables

HALIFAX FALL RESULTS

Mount Saint Vincent Student Bldg, Halifax, NS S1611074 November 11-13, 2016

FRIDAY, November 11

CBF International Fund Game

Flight A 46 tables

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|---|--------|
| 1. Bill Halliday, Halifax – Mark Spear, Kentville, NS | 68.37% |
| 2. Jill McCormick, Halifax – Steve Anderson, Herring Cove, NS | 67.05 |
| 3. Ann Mahoney – Leo Mahoney, Moncton, NB | 66.29 |
| 4. Margo Beveridge – Goldie Trager, Halifax, NS (Won B) | 65.53 |
| 9. Jane Sedgwick – Grace Paterson, Halifax (Won C) | 61.36 |

FRIDAY EVENING PAIRS

Flight A 31.5 tables

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|---|-------|
| 1. Bill Camp, Chester – Bilgin Batman, Bridgewater, NS | 66.67 |
| 2. Bill Halliday – Mark Spear | 64.29 |
| 3. Brenda Kirby – Jim Kirby, Dartmouth, NS | 63.69 |
| 7. John Olsen, Chester – Diane Livingstone, Halifax (Won B) | 58.63 |
| 9. Jane Segwick – Grace Paterson (Won C) | 57.44 |

SATURDAY, November 12

Saturday Morning OPEN PAIRS

Flight AX 23 tables

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|---|-------|
| 1. Bill Camp – Gerry Callaghan, Hammond Plains, NS | 68.45 |
| 2. Dan Landry, Hubley, NS – David Scammell, Truro, NS | 56.85 |
| 7. Maureen Donovan, Halifax – Sheila Laird, Bedford, NS (Won X) | 55.36 |

Saturday Morning Flight BCD Pairs 28 tables

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|--|-------|
| 1. Nancy Spencer – Graham Waters, Halifax | 67.37 |
| 2. Nancy Rogers, Port Williams, NS – Jim Paterson, Hantsport (1 st C) | 65.34 |
| 3. Doug Walters, Clearwater, FL – Doug Roberts, New Glasgow, NS | 62.71 |
| 7. Margaret Karrel, Sydney – Belinda Hoffman, Glace Bay (3 rd C, 1 st D) | 57.76 |

Saturday Afternoon Flight BCD Pairs 26 tables

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|--|-------|
| 1. Margaret Ann Dodson – Irene Szabla, Pictou, NS (Also 1 st C) | 70.27 |
| 2. Beverley Snow – Gaye MacDonald, Truro, NS (Also 2 nd C) | 67.99 |
| 3. Connie Bartlett – Rose Savage, Moncton, NB (Also 3 rd C) | 67.23 |
| 9. Marion Quinn, Lwr Sackville – Earl Wadden, Beacerbank, NS (1 st D) | 50.38 |

SUNDAY, November 14

FLIGHT AX SWISS 28 teams

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|--|-----|
| 1. Susan Hubley – Adele Stewart – Carol Thompson – Mary MacKay | 103 |
| 2. Alan Doane – Rod MacKenzie – Leo Weniger – Gary Brown | 101 |
| 3. Bill Halliday – Mark Spear – Elizabeth Legacy – Kathie MacNab | 88 |
| 8. Linda Tuff – Jane Filbee – Mike Covey – Daya Pillay (Won X) | 82 |

FLIGHT BCD SWISS 29 teams

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|---|-----|
| 1. Ron O'Brien – Charles Fortune – Doug Roberts – Doug Walters | 107 |
| 2. Leona Telfer – Ken MacLean – Rose Baker – Bob Edmundson | 104 |
| 3. Deedee Dyer – Susan Pattillo – Christine Goodday – Shirley McInnes (1 st C) | 91 |
| 4. Lorne Cock – Shirley Cock – Janice Edey – Anne Mitchell | 90 |
| 7. Irene Szabla – Margaret Ann Dodson – Teresa MacEachern – Linda Sorel (1 st D) | 75 |

292 tables

NAOP A FINALS 2016

24 pairs

1. Brian DeLong - Fran DeLong, Harmony, NS	330.70
2. Herb Watters – Bill Knoll, Jr, New Glasow, NS	311.40
3. Hind Blick, Bedford, NS – Gary Brown, Wolfville, NS	309.10
4. Bill Halliday – Kathie MacNab, Halifax, NS	308.70
5. Edward Hynes, Penobsquis, NB-Terry Shaw, Halifax,NS	303.90
6. Gerry Murphy, Kentville, NS –Ke Eisner, Truro, NS	301.90
7. Karl Hicks, Dominion, NS-Denis Murphy, Coldbrook, NS	290.50
8. Elizabeth Legacy, Halifax,NS - Jim Kirby, Dartmouth, NS	209.10
9. Sandra MacPherson, Halifax-Anne Mahoney, Moncton,NB	208.20

NAOP B FINALS

12 pairs

1. David Ross, Ammon, NB – Wade Short, Shediac, NB	161.00
2. Gerardo Malazdrewicz,Amherst-Mike Tanner, Halifax	158.00
3. Mark Golding – Robbie Kitchen, Salisbury, NB	157.50
4. Xiaolun Yi, Lincoln,NB - Peter Coates, Hanwell. NB	157.00
5. Connor Havens – Cindy Havens, Riverview, NB	143.50
6. Sandra MacPherson, Halifax – Scott Rappard, Dartmouth	133.00
7. Shane Savage, Moncton – Gil Meredith, Riverview, NB	132.00
8. Brenda D Renouf – Willis Renouf, Tide Head, NB	122.50
9. Lois Sherwood,Norton,NB-Marilyn Dalton, Rothesay,NB	117.50

NAOP C FINALS

23 pairs

1. Kent Ritchie, Halifax – Michael Ross, Bedford, NS	259.21
2. Maureen Stiner, Dartmouth Michael Hogan, Halifax, NS	234.02
3. Patti Moody, Boudreau,NB - Celia Cobbett, Shediac, NB	231.67
4. Maureen O’Connell – Linda Russell, Halifax, NS	229.88
5. Gloria Reader – Patricia Roy, Halifax, NS	224.19
6. Kathryn Ells – Elly Bronk, Halifax, NS	221.62
7. Dodi Walsh, Dartmouth – Brian Ferguson, Halifax, NS	219.34
8. Linda Walker, Bedford – Marilyn Bernardo, Halifax, NS	214.80
9. Shane Savage, Moncton-Sharon Cupples, Fredericton,NB	214.47

JOE CURRIE MEMORIAL SECTIONAL

S170316

MARCH 24-26, 2017

Location:: World Trade and Convention Center, 1800 Argyle Street, Halifax, NS

Chairpersons: Gerry Callaghan mistergerry@eastlink.ca
Maureen Donovan maureenkdonovan@gmail.com
Linda Tuff Lindatuffbridge@gmail.com

Partnerships: Linda Tuff lindatuffbridge@gmail.com

Entry fees \$12.50 per session \$3 per session surcharge for non or unpaid ACBL members.

Schedule

Friday, March 24

1:30 pm One Session Stratified Pairs

7:30 pm One Session Stratified Pairs

Saturday, March 25

10:00 am Strati-flighted AX Pairs first session

10:00 am One Session Stratified BCD Pairs

3:00 pm Stratiflighted AX pairs second session

3:00 pm One Session Stratiflighted BCD Pairs

Sunday, March 26

10:00 am Two Session Stratiflighted Swiss Teams play through
(Lunch provided by WTCC for \$10,00)

Stratified Limits C: 0 - 300 B: 300 - 1000 A: 1000+
Stratiflighted Limits D: 0 - 100 C: 100 - 300 B: 1000 X: 0 - 1750 A:= 1750+
Stratification based on pair and team average

Host Hotel : DELTA BARRINGTON 1990 Barrington Street, Halifax.

Tel: 1-902-425-6700 or 1-800-268-1133

Rooms: \$125 + tax please reference Maritime Bridge Tournament for rate

PARKING: Exit passes will be available for the Scotia Square indoor garage at \$5 each.
Pick up regular ticket upon entry Use Exit pass upon exit which is swallowed .

Joe Currie Memorial trophies awarded to the top non-life master pair in Flight C Saturday morning

Please Note: The Playing Site is Scent-Free

HOP ON BOARD THE Fifth ANNUAL
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**Eastern Canadian Sectional Tournament
APRIL 22-23, 2017**



**MONCTON GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB
212 COVERDALE ROAD, RIVERVIEW, NB E1B 4T9**

Stratified Pairs: A 200-300; B 100-200; C 0-100

Saturday, 16 April:

Open pairs (single sessions) 1:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, 17 April:

Swiss teams (two sessions) starting at 10:00 a.m.

Fees: \$12.50 per session for ACBL members. (\$15.50 for non/unpaid members).

Enjoy play at your own pace in a relaxed atmosphere!

Tournament Chair: Mark Golding markd@nbnet.nb.ca

partnerships

Connie Bartlett cobartle@gmail.com

Lunch available on-site between sessions Saturday and at break on Sunday.

DON COX MEMORIAL SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

April 28-30, 2017 S1704063
BEST WESTERN PLUS GLENGARRY, 150 WILLOW ST., TRURO

Friday, April 28

1:30 pm Stratified Pairs (one session)
7:30 pm Stratified IMP Pairs (one session)

Saturday, April 29

10:00 am Strati-flighted AX Pairs (1st of 2 sessions)
BCD Stratified Pairs (single session)
3:00 pm Strati-flighted AX Pairs (2nd of 2 sessions)
BCD Stratified Pairs (single session)
8:00 pm Stratified Swiss Teams (one session)

Sunday, April 30

10:00 am Strati-flighted Swiss Teams
(two session with a short lunch break)

Stratification: A = unlimited, X = 0-1750, B=300-1000, C=0-300, D=0-100
(Masterpoints will be averaged for pairs and teams)

Chairperson: Gaye MacDonald gemacon@dal.ca 902-351-2481
902-890-6048

Partnerships: Beverley Snow bks@bellaliant.net 902-890-1343

Hotels: Best Western Plus Glengarry, 150 Willow St. 902-893-4311
Double occupancy rate, with hot breakfast \$118 (book by Mar. 29)
Willow Bend Motel, 277 Willow St. 902-895-5325 (book by Mar 22)
with continental breakfast \$79.00/ one person \$89.00/two persons

NOTE: Book early as there are other events in Truro this weekend.

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A SCENT-FREE PLAYING AREA

LOBSTER CITY SECTIONAL

Credit Union Place, 511 Notre Dame St., Summerside, PE R1705140

May 19 - 21, 2017

Complimentary tea and coffee daily

Friday, May 19

1:00 pm Seabreeze Stratified Open Pairs (1 session)
7:00 pm Gentle Island Stratified Open Pairs(1 session)
Complimentary chowder after evening session

Saturday, May 20

10:00 am Confederation AX pairs (1st session)
Confederation BCD Pairs (1 session)
3:00 pm Confederation AX Pairs (2nd Session)
Lupin BCD Pairs (1 session)

6:00 pm Church Lobster Supper Available For Sale
Delivered to tournament site-Approximate cost \$20.00
Includes shelled lobster,potato salad,cole slaw,jelly salad,roll & dessert
Email Tournament Chair to reserve your dinner

8:00 pm Travis Tritt concert at Credit Union Place – phone 1-855-502-6090
For tickets

Sunday, May 21

10:00 am Two Session Stratiflighted Swiss Teams
Playthrough with short lunch break after round three (1 pm)

Chairperson: DUNCAN MCKILLOP tel: 902-436-4561 or 902-439-5665
Duncan.m.mckillop@gmail.com

Partnerships: Father Eddie Cormier 902-854-8094 eddie.cormier@bellaliant.net
Rosalyne Millar 902-436-2250 rosalyn.millar@gmail.com

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Cairns Motel	721 Water Street East	902-436-5841
Clark's Sunny Isle Motel	720 Water Street East	902=436-5665

Stratiflighted events A=1750+ X= 0-1750 B=300-1000 C=100-300 D=0-100

Any player with over 1000 master points must play in AX

Stratified Events A = 1000+ B=300-1000 C = 0 – 300 pairs & teams stratified by average

SOUTH SHORE SECTIONAL

Best Western, 527 Highway 10, Exit 12, Bridgewater, NS S1705136

MAY 26 - 28, 2017

FRIDAY, MAY 26

1:30 pm ROSS MEMORIAL Pairs

7:30 pm Stratified IMP Pairs

SATURDAY, May 27

10:00 am Stratiflighted AX Pairs (1st of 2 sessions)

10:00 am Stratiflighted BCD Pairs (Single session)

3:00 pm Stratiflighted AX Pairs (2nd of 2 Sessions)

3:00 pm Stratiflighted BCD Pairs (single Session)

8:00 pm Stratified Swiss Teams (single session)

SUNDAY, May 28

10:00 am Stratiflighted Swiss Teams

**Two session play-through with a short
lunch break after round 3.**

Sandwiches and soft drinks may be ordered.

Tournament Chairman: George Hogg 902-935-2070 gchogg@eastlink.ca

Partnerships: AX players Bill Batman 902-543-7488 (w)

902-527-1114 (H) bilginbatman@gmail.com

BCD players Marjorie Wandler 902-530-6436

dmwandler@eastlink.ca

Preferred Accommodations: Best Western

902-530-0101 or 1-877-665-0101

Please book early, ask for the "bridge rate" \$109+tx includes breakfast

Stratified events: A=1000+ B= 300-1000 C= 0-300

Stratiflighted events: A= 1750+ X = 0 -1750

B= 0-1000 C= 100-300 D= 0-100

**All events are based on pair or team average keeping in mind
that any player with 1000+ master points must play in AX**

CAN-AT 2017 – MONCTON, NB

Delta Beausejour Hotel, 750 Main Street, Moncton, NB, R1707030

1-800-268-1133 \$149/night before May 29. Mention Bridge Event

Parking \$18 daily maximum

JUNE 27 – JULY 2

Side Game Series are 3 separate events: Morning, Afternoon and Evening. Players must play in at least two of the same series to qualify for GOLD points.

Newcomer Pairs 0-100 ; 1:00 and 7:30 Tuesday, June 27

Midnight games offered Tues- Fri , minimum 6 teams

Tuesday, June 27

- 1:00 pm Newcomer Pairs (0-100) one session
Afternoon Side Series Pairs (1 of 5)
- 1:00 pm and 7:30 pm Tues=Wed Bracketed KO teams (rounds 1 & 2)
Tues Open Pairs AX (2 sessions)
Tues Gold Rush Pairs (2 sessions 0–750)
- 7:30 pm Newcomers Pairs (0-100) one session
CBF Charitable Fund Pairs one session
Stratified Swiss Teams – single session

Wednesday, June 28

- 9:00 am Morning Bracketed Knockout teams(1of 4)
Morning Side Game Series (1 of 4)
- 1:00 pm and 7:30 pm Tues-Wed Bracketed KO Teams #1 (rds 3&4)
Wed-Thurs Bracketed KO Teams #2 (rds 1&2)
Wednesday Open Pairs AX (2 sessions)
Wed Gold Rush Pairs (2 Sessions 0-750)
- 1:00 pm Afternoon Side Game series (2 of 5)
- 7:30 pm Evening Side Game Series (1 of 4)
Stratified Swiss Teams (1 session)

Thursday, June 29

- 9:00 am Morning Bracketed KO Teams (2 of 4)
Morning Side Game Series (2 of 4)
Morning Compact Bracketed KO (1 & 2)
- 1:00 pm and 7:30 pm Wed-Thurs Bracketed KO Tms #2 (rds 3 & 4)
Thurs Fri Bracketed KO Teams # 3 (rds 1 & 2)
Thurs Open Pairs AX (2 sessions)
Thurs Gold Rush Pairs (2 sessions 0-750)
- 1:00 pm Afternoon Side Series (3 of 5)
- 7:30 pm Evening Side Series (2 of 4)
Stratified Swiss Teams (1 session)

CAN-AT 2017 REGIONAL (continued)

Friday, June 30

- 9:00 am Morning Bracketed KO Teams (3 of 4)
Morning Compact bracketed KO teams (3 &4)
Morning Side Series (3 of 4)
- 1:00 pm and 7:30 pm Thurs-Fri Bracketed KO Tms (Rds 3&4)
Fri-Sat Bracketed KO Teams #4 (Rds 1&2)
- Bluenose Open Pairs AX(2 sessions)**
Bluenose Gold Rush Pairs (2 sessions 0-750)
- 1:00 pm Afternoon Side Series (4 of 5)
7:30 pm Evening Side Series (3 of 4)
Stratified Swiss Teams (single session)

Saturday, July 1 CANADA DAY

- 9:00 am Morning bracketed KO teams (round 4 of 4)
Morning Compact KO Teams (rd 3&4)
Morning Side Series (4 of 4)
- 1:00 pm and 7:30pm Fri-Sat Bracketed KO Teams (rds 3 & 4)
Sat Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions)
Sat Open Pairs AX (2 sessions)
Sat Gold Rush Pairs (2 sessions 0-750)
Afternoon Side Game Series (5 of 5)
- 7:30 pm Evening Side Series Pairs (4 of 4)
Swiss Teams one session

Sunday, July 2

- 10:00 am Stratiflighted AX Swiss teams play-through
Stratiflighted BCD Swiss teams play-through

Stratifications: Teams and pairs strated by average masterpoints. KO's are not handicapped.

Gold Rush Pairs B – 300-750 C = 100 – 300 D=0-100
Stratiflighted AX with Gold Rush A = 1500+ X = 0 - 1500
Stratified Pairs and Swiss A= 1000+ B = 300-1000 c = 0 – 300
Stratiflighted Pairs and Swiss A = 3000+ X = 0-3000 B = 300-1000 C = 0 - 300

Chairman Mark Golding markd@nbnet.nb.ca

Partnerships: Anne Mahoney leomahoney@rogers.com

Spud Island Sectional

October 13 – 15, 2017 S1710129

Playing Site: Courtyard at Rodd Royalty
Accommodations: Rodd Royalty Hotel
14 Capital Drive
Charlottetown, PE C1E 1E7
Phone (902) 894-8566

\$105.00 + tax per night, includes breakfast

Tournament Chair: Richard Kenny (rakenny53@gmail.com)
(902) 316-2073 or (902) 892-5145

Partnerships: Cindy Wedge (clwedge@gov.pe.ca)
(902) 892-5145

Schedule

Friday, October 13

2:00 pm	Spud Island Pairs (stratified)
7:30 pm	Stratified Open Pairs
11:00 pm	Hospitality

Saturday, October 14

1:00 pm	Strati-Flighted Open Pairs (1 st session)
7:30 pm	Strati-Flighted Open Pairs (2 nd session)
11:00 pm	Hospitality

Sunday, October 15

10:00 am	Stratiflighted Swiss Teams (playthrough)
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Stratifications:

Stratified A = 1000+ B = 300-1000 C = 0-300

Stratiflighted A = unlimited X = 0 – 1750
B = 300 – 1000 C = 100 – 300 D = 0 – 100

Pairs and teams averaged by master points. A player with 1000+ must play AX.

TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

2017

February 15-21	CBF CANADA-Wide STAC	Clubs
March 9 – 19	SPRING NATIONALS	Kansas City, MO
MARCH 24 - 26	JOE CURRIE MEMORIAL SECTIONAL	Halifax
March 27 (Mon Aft)	ACBL Seniors Game	Clubs
April 17 (Mon)	Helen Shields Rookie-Master Game	Clubs
APRIL 22 - 23	CODIAC 299er SECTIONAL	Moncton,NB
April 27(Thurs Morn)	ACBL Charity Game	Clubs
APRIL 28 – 30	DON COX MEMORIAL SECTIONAL	Truro, NS
May 6 (Sat)	GNT District Finals A & C	MC&G
MAY 19 - 21	LOBSTER CITY SECTIONAL	Summerside,PE
MAY 26 – 28	SOUTH SHORE SECTIONAL	Bridgewater, NS
June 2 (Fri Eve)	World-wide Bridge Contest	Clubs
June 3 (Sat Aft)	World-wide Bridge Contest	Clubs
June 14 (Wed Aft)	CBF Olympiad Fund Game	Clubs
JUNE 27 – JULY 2	CAN-AT REGIONAL	Moncton, NB
JULY 20 – 30	SUMMER NATIONALS	Toronto, ON
SEPTEMBER 15-17	MONCTON SECTIONAL	Moncton, NB
SEPTEMBER 22-24	ANNAPOLIS VALLEY SECTIONAL	New Minas, NS
OCTOBER 13-15	SPUD ISLAND SECTIONAL	Charlottetown, PE
NOVEMBER 10-12	HALIFAX FALL SECTIONAL	Halifax, NS
November 23 – Dec 3	FALL NATIONALS	San Diego, CA

An asterisk indicates an unconfirmed date and/or site. While every effort is made to keep this list accurate and up-to-date, some dates are tentative and players are encouraged to check with the contact person for each event to confirm dates