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Sectional Schenectady (at the Studio) January 24-26, 2014

Friday January 24

Stratified Open Pairs (0-750, 750-2000, 2000+)	12:30 pm
Stratified Newcomer Pairs (0-100, 100-200, 200-299)	12:30 pm
Pro/Am Dual Scored -Pair game movement with Pro-Am Team	6:30 pm

Saturday January 25

Stratified Open Pairs (0-750, 750-2000, 2000+)	10 am and 3 pm
(2 One Session Games)	
Stratified Newcomer Pairs (0-100, 100-199, 200-299)	10 am and 3 pm
(2 One Session Games)	

Sunday January 26

Swiss Teams (2- Session stratiflighted play through; 42 boards)	11 am
(1/2 hour break between sessions)	
(Flights: 0-3000, 3000-8000, and over 8000)	

Need Help: Call Lois Phillips (518) 793-3375 or Malois1539@aol.com

For Partnerships: Call Bernie Neuhart 518.372.3936 or bhnewhart@nycap.rr.com

NOTE: For stratified pair events, the strat will be based upon the average MPs for the pair. For events less than 300MPs, each player must have fewer than 300 MPs.

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Presidents Message

As I write my last President's Report, I'm inclined to look back at the last three years to see what damage I may have inflicted on Unit 115, and can only hope not too much. If my hope is true, it would be because of the good people, mostly on the Board but others, also, who work hard to schedule and run our five sectionals and three unit games each year. I'm grateful for having been surrounded by such dedicated volunteers through my tenure as president.

In the past, I've suggested the Board could use new members, if only for some fresh ideas, and am pleased to announce Bill Kelsey and Dave Buchyn will be joining us. Additional volunteers would be welcome. We meet only five times per year, all between the Saturday sessions of our sectionals, so the time commitment for meetings is hardly onerous. Obviously, there's follow-up duties needed to run our eight events, but the work is not hard. Let us know if you're interested in joining.

In addition to a changed slate of officers who will be impaneled at the January, 2014 Board meeting, other changes include Bill Dubay

agreeing to be the Unit Historian, and I will be taking over as Tournament Coordinator.

It's the time of year for the start of our annual fund raiser, monies which will be used to offset the Unit's costs for hospitality at the June Norma Shelly Saratoga Regional, and that's why this edition of the Newsletter contains a form to order pies from Smith's Orchard Bake Shop. Cost for each pie is only \$10.00, a bargain in itself for these delicious pies, so consider ordering a pie or two. Not only that, your pie orders will be personally delivered to your favorite club game by Walter Smith.

Finally, here are two changes for next year. First, we will not field teams for the President's Cup on the basis of four different masterpoint levels for each team member. Instead, we will run the event similar to a Pro-Am. Come with a partner, we'll quartile the field based on the masterpoint totals of the partnerships, and randomly match pairs from the top and bottom and second and third quartiles. The difference between a traditional Pro-Am and the President's Cup is you will play only one of the four matches with your partner. You will partner with one of your teammates for the other three matches. The President's Cup will still be the Unit's fun event of the year, but we will avoid the difficulty of establishing, and then filling, all the teams with players meeting the four different masterpoint limits.

Second, the time for the Friday afternoon pairs game for the January sectional has been moved back to 12:30. This is in response to a number of players who expressed concern over driving home in the dark after the session. We will also change the start of the Friday afternoon session of the November sectional to 12:30.

Bob Valenti

THIS 'N THAT FROM YOUR DISTRICT DIRECTOR

As we begin another year, I look to continuing to work with all of you to make District 3 the shining star of the ACBL.

At the ACBL Board meetings in Phoenix in November we elected a new president, Phyllis Harlan from District 15, an Oklahoma City resident, who has been an active and productive member of the Board for a number of years. I have served on several committees with Phyllis and have a very high regard for her dedication and her competence.

We continue to be very pleased with the leadership of our new – since late 2011 – CEO, Robert Hartman. An interesting sidelight, Robert was so impressed with the success of The Longest Day in raising money for the Alzheimers Association, he ran in the Chicago marathon to raise even more money for the cause.

The board voted unanimously to extend the ban on smoking at national tournaments to cover electronic smoking devices. For now this ban only applies to national tournaments, but it is clearly an issue that should be addressed at the district and unit levels as well.

Five key initiatives were approved for 2014:

1. Online learn to play bridge. This will be launched with a general marketing campaign and the results will be tracked.
2. Win-Win membership incentives. This will replace the current system and will reward members for success in recruitment. It will be open to all members and teachers.
3. Membership recognition program. This will reward members based on

both rank achievements and years of membership.

4. OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute). Funded by the Bernard Osher Foundation, this program will help fund lifelong teaching programs.
5. Bridge at college. A program to encourage organized bridge programs at the college and university level.

Of interest to all of you is the change in membership dues. As of April 1, 2014, new member dues will increase from \$28 to \$29, and regular one year dues will increase from \$37 to \$39. There will be no increase in Junior or Patron memberships. In addition, tournament sanction fees will be increased by 1.5% beginning April 1, 2014.

The Board also overwhelmingly approved a new Youth Protection and Abuse Prevention Policy. We felt strongly that this was long overdue.

Our first Regional Tournament of the new year will be the Joan Gerard District 3 Winter Regional from January 14-20 at the Hilton Westchester in Rye Town, NY. We will be formally renaming this tournament in Joan's honor. We hope many of you can join us for a celebration on Sunday evening following the team game. Make your plans to attend this wonderful tournament.

I look forward to seeing you all at the tables.

Glenda Calkins, Director
ACBL District 3

Sectional Results Nov. 15 - 17, 2013

Friday afternoon Strat Pairs

A	B	C	
1	1		Kerry Cotterell – Rich Underwood
2	2		Beth Snyder – Paul Meier
3			Betty & Steve Bloom
4			Judy & Bill Dubay
5			Don Cohen – Linda Basinait
6			Larry Berman – Rita Redlich
	3	1	Anne Marie Gapp – John Leslie
	4		Ross Lounsbury – Lou Urbano
	5		Diane Alexander – Sue Eastman
	6	2	Alex Dezieck – Shaz Taslimi
		3	Linda & Lew Millenbach
		4	James Bornheim – James Beard
		5	Wilma Delucco – Susan Klein
		6	Fran Gawron – Eleanor Lisuzzo

Friday afternoon 299er Pairs

A		
1		David Benoit – Mary Walker-Dagesse
2		Norah Fredrickson – Betty Seeley

Friday evening BAM (Teams)

A	B	C	
1/2	1/2		Glen Peary – Lynda Flanger Ellen & Kerry Cotterell
1/2	1/2	1	Ulla & Michael Sattinger Alex Dezieck – Shaz Taslimi
3			Mary Ryder Wright – W Daniel Kelsey Satya Pabuwal – Kamal Gupta

Friday evening (Pairs)

A	B	C	
1	1	1	Alex Dezieck – Shaz Taslimi
2	2		Glen Peary – Lynda Flanger
3	3	2	James Bornheim – James Beard
4			Satya Pabuwal – Kamal Gupta
5	4		Ulla & Michael Sattinger
		3	Ellen & Kerry Cotterell

Saturday Blue Ribbon Pairs

A	X	
1		Kerry Cotterell – Roger Woodin
2		Diane Burger – Bob Donald
3		Stephen Paskin – Rich Underwood
4		Betty & Steve Bloom
5	1	Malik Magdon-Ismael – Kamal Gupta
6		Judy & Bill Dubay
7	2	Alex Dezieck – Shaz Taslimi
	3	Rosemary Isele – Terry Bentley
	4	Linda Stosberg – Lou Urbano
	5	Michael Rogers – Robert Dickson

Saturday morning B/C/D Pairs

B	C	D	
1	1		Marygay Harkins – Phanindra Chakaborty
2	2		Richard Egelston – David Nerrow
3			Anne & Len Lapinski
4	3		William Kelsey – W Daniel Kelsey
5	4		Nancy Streeter – Margaret Lavelle
	5	1	Richard Hall –Kermit Weaver
		2/3	Anne & James Beard
		2/3	Gay & Roger Squire

Saturday afternoon B/C/D Pairs

B	C	D	
1			Anne & James Beard
2	1		Richard Hall –Kermit Weaver

Sunday Swiss

A	B	C	
1			Rob & Bernie Neuhart Kamal Gupta – Satya Pabuwal
2			Diane Burger – Bob Donald Gregg Deitch – Vito Ramundo
3			Betty & Steve Bloom Donna & Neil Chambers
4	1		Judy & Richard Hill Charles Schmidt – Dorothy Kraus
5	2		Glen Peary – Lynda Flanger Alex Dezieck – Shaz Taslimi
	3		Bob Valenti – Roger Woodin Anne & Leonard Lapinski
	4		Sue Eastman – Diane Alexander Michael Rogers – Robert Dickson
	5	1	Peter Allen – Peter Mitchell Ellen & Kerry Cotterell
		2	John Loeber – Charles Mantia Anne & James Beard
			Joan & Firm Weaver

**Mini-McKenney & Ace of Club Standings
Unit 115 (as of December 6, 2013)**

	<u>Mini-McKenney</u>	<u>Ace of Clubs</u>
0-5	Patricia Berrian Chunyu Wang Margaret Quinn	Patricia Berrian Edward Huntington Susan Penny
5-20	Jill Paltrowitz Betty Seeley Norah Fredrickson	Jill Paltrowitz Betty Seeley Catherine Brazelton
20-50	Kathleen Carr Barbara Fallone Phil Ulrich	Phil Ulrich Kathleen Carr Richard Zak
50-100	W Daniel Kelsey John Dillon A. Hallenstein	John Dillon A. Hallenstein Margaret Dillon
100-200	Ellen Cotterell Christine Converse Barbara Wolner	Ellen Cotterell Christine Converse Kay Lang
200-300	William Kelsey Joan Dobert Carolyn Accardi	William Kelsey Joan Dobert Carolyn Accardi
300-500	Glen Perry Firm Weaver Terry Bentley	Glen Perry Arlene Sahr Firm Weaver
500-1000	Kerry Cotterell Richard Bobilin Rosemary Isele	Rosemary Isele Harold Bigelow Kerry Cotterell
1000-2500	Judy & Richard Hill Diane Alexander Ulla Sattinger	Diane Alexander Louis Urbano Judy & Richard Hill
2500-5000	Satya Pabuwal Bob Donald Rob Neuhart	Satya Pabuwal Don Cohen Arthur Bernhardt
5000-7500	Walter Smith Stephen Paskin Judith Shulman	Walter Smith Stephen Paskin Judith Shulman
7500-10000	Bill Dubay Judy Dubay Al Ross	Bill Dubay Judy Dubay Al Ross
Over 10000	Steve & Betty Bloom Bill Nelson Sandy Nelson	Bill Nelson Sandy Nelson Betty & Steve Bloom

Club Corner

AVILA

(all games start 12:30 PM)

Sat. Jan. 11 & 18 - Grass Roots (extra points)

Sat. Jan. 25 NO GAME

Sat. Feb. 1, 8, 15, 22 - Junior Fund Games
(extra points)

See ACBL.org for notices and results

Contact Rhoda Kratenstein

(561) 495-6470

Personal Notices

Condolences to the families of
Al Ross and Joan Ricks

Get Well wishes to **Judy Shulman, and
Charlene Sunderland**

RANK CHANGES

New Junior Masters

Anne Bokan Edward Huntington

New Club Masters

Julie Shapiro Nancy Van Dusen

New Regional Master

Kay Showalter

New NABC Masters

Christine Converse Ellen Cotterell

Sheela Kolkarni Sudhir Kolkarni

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PIE FUND RAISER

For Saratoga Regional Hospitality

From now until January 24 we will be taking orders for 10" and 5" (sets of 3 of same flavor) frozen pies which come with easy baking instructions, at a price of \$10 each or 5" for \$5 each. Unit 115 will make \$2.50 on each pie sold; the money will be used for hospitality at the Saratoga Regional. The pies will keep in your freezer until you are ready to bake and serve them, so you can order several.

To order, please use the attached order form or pick up an order form at any club game. You can turn in your order at any local bridge game up until January 24. You must make full payment when you turn in your order. **Checks may be made payable to CDBA or ACBL Unit 115.** You must choose to pick up your order on any of the times and locations listed below. Please be sure to provide your phone number in case delivery date changes due to weather. We encourage you to solicit additional pie orders from your friends and relatives and include them in your order. The more pies we sell, the more money we make!

NOTE: It is critical that the pies remain frozen until you are ready to bake them. We cannot be responsible for deterioration of quality of pies that are allowed to thaw prior to baking.

	10" Regular Crust	10" Crumb Top	Sugarless (Regular top only)	5" Regular Top (in set of 3)	5" Crumb Top (in set of 3)	5" Sugarless (in set of 3)
Apple						
Apple Blackberry						
Apple Blueberry						
Apple Cherry						
Apple Cranberry						
Apple Peach						
Apple Raisin Walnut						
Apple Raspberry						
Blackberry						
Blueberry						
Blueberry Peach						
Cherry						
Peach						
Pecan		Not available	Not available		Not available	Not available
Pineapple						
Pumpkin		Not available	Not available		Not available	Not available
Raspberry						
Raspberry Peach						
Rhubarb						
Strawberry Rhubarb						
Tollhouse		Not available	Not available		Not available	Not available
Very Berry						

NAME _____

Phone _____

CIRCLE PICK UP POINT

Mon. Jan. 27 ROCC 3:30-4 PM

Tues Jan 28 Clifton Park 3:00-4:00

Wed Jan 29 Studio 3:00-4:00

Fri Jan 31 Saratoga 3:00-4:00

Mon Feb 3 Studio 3:00-4:00

Mon Feb 3 Queensbury 10:00-11:00

Tues Feb 4 JCC 3:30-4:00

Wed Feb 5 B'nai Shalom 10:00-11:00

Fri Feb 7 ROCC 3:30-4:00

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Mon – Sun	Mar 10 – 16	Unit STaC
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