

# March Bridge Deck Club Newsletter

## Royal STaC Week - March 4 to March 8, 2024

Silver points plus some red and gold points are awarded during Royal STaC Week. The same hands will be played by all the players in District 9 so winners at the club level may win extra MPs when ranked against other District 9 players. Cost will be \$12 for BDC members and \$14 for non-members.

### Congratulations to our Amazing Players

**Daphne Schreiber** has reached her goal of becoming a **Life Member**.

**Nancy Driscoll** acquired the rank of **Gold Life Master**. A rank with over 2,500 MPs that include a combination of 500 silver, red, gold or platinum points.

**The 2023 results of the Ace of Clubs races** are now posted on the District 9 website. District 9 covers nearly all of Florida plus Puerto Rico. The Ace of Clubs race only counts black points. Your bracket is the one you started in at the beginning of the year. If you wish to see your ranking go to the District 9 website at [district9acbl.org](http://district9acbl.org) and click on "Races" at the bottom of the page. This takes you to the page for the Ace of Clubs and the Mini-Mckinney Races. Make sure to click on the results for the **year 2023** otherwise you will get the results for the first 2 months of 2024.

**Brent Shakeshaft** is 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 0 to 5 category with 47.96 MPs.

**Karen & Robert Joslyn** are 13/14 in the 20 to 50 category with 43.65 MPs each.

**Joe Truitt** is listed as 1<sup>st</sup> in the 200 to 300 category with 167.45 MPs.

**Cindy Mazzaferro** is 5<sup>th</sup> in the 500 to 1,000 category with 154.83 MPs.

**Don Sommerfield** is 11<sup>th</sup> in the 500 to 1,000 category with 124.14

**Beth Stephens** is 4<sup>th</sup> in the 1,000 to 1,500 category with 167.97 MPs.

**Pat Johnson** is 7<sup>th</sup> in the 1,000 to 1,500 category with 153.91 MPs.

**Ron Talbot** is 9<sup>th</sup> in the 1,000 to 1,500 category with 138.57 MPs.

**Syd Blum** is 13<sup>th</sup> in the 1,000 to 1,500 category with 134.13 MPs.

**Nancy Driscoll** is 12<sup>th</sup> in the 1,500 to 2,500 category with 175.86 MPs.

**Ed Nield** is 27<sup>th</sup> in the 2,500 to 5,000 category with 160.98 MPs.

**Ellie Goodrich** is 7<sup>th</sup> in the 5,000 to 7,000 category with 267.81 MPs.

These numbers only show the results of the masterpoints earned in Florida's District 9. Unfortunately If you are a seasonal resident your points earned in other states don't get registered here. Of course they do get registered in the ACBL data bank.

**The Mini-McKenney Races** include black and pigmented points won both in club games and at tournaments. For some unknown reason, it excludes points from the North American pairs qualifying games & from STaC games.

**Brent Shakeshaft** was 4<sup>th</sup> in the 0 to 5 category with 52.58 MPs.

**Karen & Robert Joslyn** were 14/15 in the 20 to 50 category with 40.6 MPs.

**Joe Truitt** was 1<sup>st</sup> in the 200 to 300 category with 229.92 MPs.

**Cindy Mazzaferro** was 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 500 to 1,000 category with 302.86 MPs.

**Michelle Stafford** is 26<sup>th</sup> in the 500 to 1,000 category with 168.19 MPs.

**Daphne Schreiber** is 27<sup>th</sup> in the 500 to 1,000 category with 168. MPs..

**Beth Stephens** was 8<sup>th</sup> in the 1,000 to 1,500 category with 228.36 MPs.

**Pat Johnson** was 11<sup>th</sup> in the 1,000 to 1,500 category with 203 MPs.

**Nancy Driscoll** was 29<sup>th</sup> in the 1,500 to 1,500 with 210 MPs.

**Ellie Goodrich** was 28<sup>th</sup> in the 5,000 to 7,500 category with 307.49 MPs.

### **Joe Truitt earns Bridge Director's License**

Joe has worked diligently to learn the 93 Bridge Laws and the numerous Howell and Mitchell Game Movements, to master the computer skills needed to successfully run a club game, post the results on line, and send the results to the ACBL. Being a Director is an enormous responsibility. The members of the Bridge Deck Club thank you.

## **Club Championship Games**

Our calendar lists March 1, 19, 20, 21 & 25 as extra point games. This is very unusual. It also lists March 27 as a Unit 128 Championship game. It will be interesting to see how many points the winners of these game receive.

## **Education Fund Games**

Ed Alcott has also signed the BDC up for more education Fund Games. The club will continue to pay the ACBL fees for these games and you will continue to be able to win extra MPs.

## **Monday Morning Game**

Monday's game for players with under 100 MPs with continue in March. Please arrive before 8:50 AM so the game can start on time. Christy Coupland is the Director. Contact 614 329 1332 for information

## **End Play Lesson on March 13**

Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> Declarer Play class is cancelled. The class will resume at 9 AM on March 13<sup>th</sup>. We are working on the last chapters in the book 25 Ways to Take More Tricks as Declarer so this work should appeal to all intermediate level players with 300 to 1,000 MPs. Contact Marcia Reff at 239 775 8460

## **Thursday Morning Chat Game**

Thursday 9 AM Chat Game continues. Please arrive by 8:50 so the game can start on time. Donna Lyons is the Director. Call 860 916 9231 for information.

## **Club Membership Directories**

Our new directories should be arriving soon. Make sure to pick up yours.