

# Northern Colorado



# BRIDGE



ACBL Unit 363 Newsletter

The RECAP

September 2004

## Membership Meeting and Election of the Board

The annual Election Party Unit Game will provide the setting for this year's membership meeting between sessions Saturday October 30, 2004 at the Elks Lodge in Fort Collins. A dinner (50% of the cost is subsidized by the unit) will be served between sessions prior to the membership meeting. There are three main items of business at this year's meeting:

### 1 – Election of Unit 363 board members

The nominating committee of Steve Turner, Stella O'Neill and Larry Matheny have selected these candidates for your consideration: Larry Matheny, Mark Spaeth, Bill Stoltey and Marilyn Pultz. Only Mark is a current board members up for re-election while the others will be new to the board. Going off the board are Fiona Freeseaman, Julie Larson and Ken Nelson. Fiona was our secretary until twins entered her life. We hope to get Fiona back as soon as they enter college. Ken was our membership chairman and was a ready and able hand behind many activities. Julie, with the exception of Steve Turner, has the longest tenure on the board of 22 years. She has worked tirelessly and helped the board steer a steady course over many years. She was our able and accurate treasurer, but most importantly, was the keeper of much of the inside knowledge of what and how things are done, and I'm sure she will be asked questions by board members for years to come. We wish to thank these members for their valued service to the bridge community. Additional nominations may be made by the membership from the floor prior to the voting. A unit member making such a nomination must have prior consent of the nominee. Nominees must be members in good standing of the Unit for the past

year and will serve a two-year term if elected. Absentee ballots must be mailed to the Board Secretary, Fiona Freeseaman, 4507 Gray Fox Road, Fort Collins, CO 80526, post-marked no later than October 20, 2004. The ballot must be enclosed in a plain unmarked envelope and must be accompanied by a separate letter showing the name of the member casting the absentee vote.

### 2 – Membership approval to amend the By-Laws

A minor modification of the Unit's By-Laws is required to support our recent successful application to the Secretary of State of Colorado to become an incorporated non-profit organization. This change is completely consistent with the way we operate as an organization and permits us to utilize lower facility fees when we run our sectional tournaments at the new Larimer County Fairgrounds. The main change to the By-Laws is that the name of our organization is to officially become the "Northern Colorado Unit 363, Inc." which is a sanctioned affiliate of the American Contract Bridge League instead of the "Northern Colorado Unit of the American Contract Bridge League". The wording in a few places in the By-Laws is changed to reflect this modification.

### 3 – Presentation of the annual 2003 Ace-of-Clubs and Mini-McKenney awards

Award presentations for the 2003 Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney masterpoint races will be made at the Election Party Unit Game on October 30 at the Elk's Club. The complete race results are included in this issue of the RECAP on page 4.

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## Upcoming Events

Coming events include two Saturday Afternoon Games, the Election Party Game, and the Holiday Party. A schedule of local games and a calendar of coming national, regional and sectional events are available on-line at [www.NorthernColoradoBridge.com](http://www.NorthernColoradoBridge.com).

### Saturday Afternoon Monthly Games

**EVENTS – UNIT CHAMPIONSHIP-RATED ONE SESSION BRIDGE GAMES**

**STARTING TIME – 1:00 PM**

**ENTRY FEE – \$10/PAIR (MORE FOR SPECIAL EVENTS)**

**DATES – OCTOBER 9 AND NOVEMBER 20 (OCT 9 IS CONFIRMED, PLEASE CHECK FOR CONFIRMATION OF THE NOV DATE ON THE UNIT WEBSITE)**

**REFRESHMENTS – A VARIETY OF DELECTABLE SNACKS**

**INSTRUCTION – FREE TECHNIQUE TUNE-UPS WITH LOCAL GUEST EXPERTS FROM 12:00 AM – 12:45 PM**

**DIRECTOR/PARTNERS – GINNY STEELE, 224-5761**

**LOCATION – ELK'S LODGE, LOWER LEVEL,  
140 EAST OAK FORT COLLINS**

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### Election Party Unit Game

**EVENT – STRATIFIED PAIRS UNIT CHAMPIONSHIP**

**DATE – SATURDAY OCTOBER 30, 2004**

**STARTING TIMES – 10:30 AM & ~3:30 PM**

**ENTRY FEE – \$5/PERSON/SESSION PLUS \$8 FOR THE MEAL BETWEEN SESSIONS – PLAYERS MAY PLAY EITHER OR BOTH SESSIONS**

**BETWEEN SESSIONS – UNIT SUBSIDIZED DINNER AND MEMBERSHIP MEETING WITH ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS PLUS 2003 MASTER POINT RACE AWARDS**

**STRATS – A(UNLIMITED), B(1000), C(300)**

**LOCATION – ELKS LODGE , 140 EAST OAK STREET,  
FORT COLLINS**

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### Holiday Party

**EVENT – STRATIFIED PAIRS UNIT CHAMPIONSHIP**

**DATE – SUNDAY DECEMBER 12, 2004**

**STARTING TIMES – 10:30 AM & ~3:15 PM**

**ENTRY FEE – \$5/PERSON/SESSION PLUS \$8 FOR THE MEAL BETWEEN SESSIONS – PLAYERS MAY PLAY EITHER OR BOTH SESSIONS**

**BETWEEN SESSIONS – UNIT SUBSIDIZED TURKEY DINNER AND RECOGNITION OF 2003 LIFE MASTERS (INCLUDING ADVANCEMENT TO THE BRONZE, SILVER & GOLD LEVELS)**

**DOOR PRIZES ARE AWARDED THROUGHOUT THE DAY**

**STRATS – A(UNLIMITED), B(1000), C(300)**

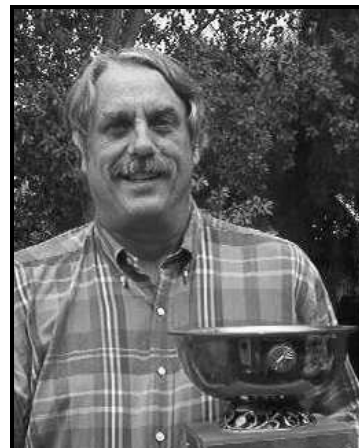
**LOCATION – ELKS LODGE , 140 EAST OAK STREET,  
FORT COLLINS**

## Tournament Results

### Summer Sectionals

Northern Colorado held two Summer Sectionals in 2004 since June and August were the only dates available when we decided to move our tournament to the Ranch. The June tournament, as anticipated, had very low attendance due to a number of factors, but by holding costs down, we broke even financially. On the plus side, this move got us onto the Ranch's schedule and we are now pleased that we have our preferred tournament dates starting in 2005 – the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in February and the 4<sup>th</sup> weekend in August. The August tournament was an overwhelming success with attendance up 37 tables to 259½, the highest in many years. The reaction of players has been very enthusiastic: great playing site, comfortable chairs, excellent lighting, quick access and short travel times for players coming from the south, even, good bathroom facilities. Northern Colorado player Marge Tate spoke for many of us in giving special thanks to tournament chair Barbara Gustafson and her group of volunteers, Larry Mason, Bill Follis, Marilyn Pultz, Bill Stoltey and Ken Nelson for their efforts and thoughtfulness.

The trophies for the most masterpoints won by a Unit 363 member were awarded to **Jon Gustafson** for the June Sectional and **Rita Koch** for the August Sectional.



Jon Gustafson – June Sectional Trophy

Jon won 7.04 masterpoints placing 2/4 with Steve Turner in the Friday Eve Open Pairs and 5/6 with Larry Matheny, Steve Turner and Bruce Cobb in the Flight A Swiss Teams on Sunday.



Rita Koch – August Sectional Trophy

Rita won 11.78 masterpoints placing first with Joyce Glittenberg in the Friday Eve Flight B Pairs and first with Marsha Effner, Joyce Glittenberg and Carol Hjelte in the Flight B Swiss Teams on Sunday.

Complete lists of overall placements with photos are available on-line at [www.NorthernColoradoBridge.com](http://www.NorthernColoradoBridge.com). Also available are the complete game recaps, and unique only in Northern Colorado in ACBL-land, are the hand records and matchpoint scoring frequencies for all games played on Friday and Saturday for both sectionals. You can now figure out exactly how those matchpoints went astray.



### Get Your RECAP Electronically

You can now read the current or past RECAPs on-line at [www.NorthernColoradoBridge.com](http://www.NorthernColoradoBridge.com). If you have an e-mail address we would be happy to send you an e-mail message when a new RECAP is published. You can read it on-line or, using the Adobe Reader, download it and print your very own copy. If this appeals to you please let us know, so in the future we will not send you a paper copy by way of the post office. The unit will be able to save the high printing and postage costs we have today. We will initially send a message to everyone who has registered their e-mail address with the ACBL. You can inform us of your desires by sending an e-mail to [recap@NorthernColoradoBridge.com](mailto:recap@NorthernColoradoBridge.com).



### Sectional Chairperson Needed

Looking for an opportunity to become more involved in bridge? Would you like to help promote and improve

everyone's enjoyment of the game? Volunteer to be the next sectional chairperson. Current chairperson Barbara Gustafson would like to co-chair the February tournament providing on-the-job training to someone who would like to take over. No experience necessary.



### Saturday Afternoon Results

#### July 17 – Unit Championship – 8 Tables

MPs	Score	A	B	C	
2.63	101½	1/2	1/2		Bill Stoltey - Barbara Gustafson
2.63	101½	1/2	1/2		Sallie Kaiser - Sally Harper
1.69	99½	3			Billie Turner - Steven Turner
1.34	95½	4	3		Marlene Aranci - Julie Larson
1.50	94½	5			Jon Gustafson - Roland Olderog
1.12	90		4		Jan Green - Florence Liittjohann
0.78	88½		5		Gerrilou Martin - Carol Shafer

#### August 7 – Unit Championship – 8½ Tables

MPs	Score	A	B	C	
2.69	111	1			Larry Matheny - Steven Turner
2.05	109.13	2	1	1	Bruce Sellers - Peter Miller
1.54	105.75	3	2	2	Sue Simmons - Ramona Baker
1.15	104	4	3		Stella O'Neill - Doris Ekedahl
0.86	100.13		4		Joyce Glittenberg - Billie Turner
0.85	102.38	5			Marlene Aranci - Ginny Steele
0.68	99		5		Ruth Logan - Susan Cuff
0.73				3	Richard Dendor - Bradley Simmons



### Opportunity Knocks for Local Charity

Bridge organizations from the local to national level run games each year where a portion of the proceeds are designated to deserving charities. In the coming years the ACBL has decided to rotate their yearly charity contributions among the districts, rather than to a single national charity. Since Denver is having an NABC in November 2005, our District 17 will have additional funds which can be allocated to local charities. Any Unit 363 member may nominate a deserving charity by providing the name and information about the charity along with a short note indicating why you would like us to support the charity. To be eligible the charity must have a 501c3 designation. The Unit 363 board will use a list of these charities to allocate funds as they become available. They will also become candidates to be the beneficiary of local charity games.

**2003 ACE OF CLUBS AWARDS***Most Masterpoints Won by Unit  
363 Members at the Club Level**ROOKIE OF THE YEAR*

Brad Simmons	----- Greeley	-----12.92
Mary Beller	----- Greeley	----- 5.60
Heidi Johnson	----- Greeley	----- 3.45

*JUNIOR MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Ramona Baker	----- Greeley	-----20.19
Sue Simmons	----- Greeley	-----14.68
Carol Shafer	----- Fort Collins	-----10.22

*CLUB MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Marsha Effner	----- Fort Collins	-----23.64
Earl Morris	-----Buffalo Valley, TN	-----11.17
Sally Harper	----- Fort Collins	-----11.17

*SECTIONAL MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Marilyn Pultz	----- Fort Collins	-----19.07
Curtis Rickart	----- Windsor	-----18.93
Eric Kronwall	----- Fort Collins	-----14.73

*REGIONAL MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Bill Stoltey	----- Fort Collins	-----58.56
Fiona Freeseaman	----- Fort Collins	-----31.78
Evelyn Cleary	----- Fort Morgan	-----17.89

*NABC MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Jim Tate	----- Fort Collins	-----19.49
Marge Tate	----- Fort Collins	-----18.70
Marian Sunderman	----- Fort Morgan	-----17.57

*LIFE MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Don Davis	----- Johnstown	-----24.80
Sandra Davis	----- Johnstown	-----24.41
Ed Yosses	----- Loveland	-----24.24

*BRONZE LIFE MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Ruth Roden	----- Greeley	-----59.83
Tom Walsh	----- Livermore	-----48.78
Laura Freeman	----- Greeley	-----44.69

*SILVER LIFE MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Jon Gustafson	----- Fort Collins	-----85.60
Neil Petrie	----- Fort Collins	-----69.77
Marlene Aranci	----- Fort Collins	-----57.42

*GOLD LIFE MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Steve Turner	----- Greeley	----- 103.51
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**2003 MINI-McKENNEY AWARDS***Most Masterpoints by Unit 363  
Members in Tournaments at all Levels**ROOKIE OF THE YEAR*

Brad Simmons	----- Greeley	----- 16.79
Mary Beller	----- Greeley	----- 5.60
Heidi Johnson	----- Greeley	----- 3.45

*JUNIOR MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Ramona Baker	----- Greeley	----- 28.72
Sue Simmons	----- Greeley	----- 25.08
Mary Farris	----- Estes Park	----- 14.37
Bobby Farris	----- Estes Park	----- 14.37

*CLUB MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Bill Follis	----- Fort Collins	----- 69.34
Marsha Effner	----- Fort Collins	----- 32.96
Sally Harper	----- Fort Collins	----- 14.17

*SECTIONAL MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Marilyn Pultz	----- Fort Collins	----- 79.82
Eric Kronwall	----- Fort Collins	----- 54.18
Curtis Rickart	----- Windsor	----- 20.97

*REGIONAL MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Bill Stoltey	----- Fort Collins	-----142.44
Fiona Freeseaman	----- Fort Collins	----- 48.88
Evelyn Cleary	----- Fort Morgan	----- 22.52

*NABC MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Douglas Watt	----- Loveland	----- 75.18
Peter Miller	----- Fort Collins	----- 33.71
Jim Tate	----- Fort Collins	----- 32.69

*LIFE MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Richard Komrmusch	----- Fort Collins	----- 66.81
Ed Yosses	----- Loveland	----- 62.73
Don Davis	----- Johnstown	----- 37.77

*BRONZE LIFE MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Ruth Roden	----- Greeley	----- 85.92
Stella O'Neill	----- Fort Collins	----- 70.19
Joyce Glittenberg	----- Greeley	----- 67.71

*SILVER LIFE MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Jon Gustafson	----- Fort Collins	-----176.17
Jim La Force	----- Sterling	-----136.16
Ginny Steele	----- Fort Collins	-----119.04

*GOLD LIFE MASTER OF THE YEAR*

Steve Turner	----- Greeley	-----207.79
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## GNT and NAP Update

Any team or pairs which qualify for the GNTs or NAPs at the club level (including unit-sponsored club level qualifiers) are directly qualified into the District 17 Finals. This is part of the effort by the ACBL and District 17 to increase the popularity of these events. Players now have additional incentives to participate. Placing in a District Final GNT or NAP event awards lots of masterpoints and subsidized expenses for the top National event qualifiers. This is a great opportunity to broaden the competitive experience of players in all flights.

Club Level Qualifying Games for the 2004-2005 **Grand National Teams** can be held between September 1, 2004 and March 31, 2005. Unit 363 will hold its games in February or March. See future RECAPs or the unit website for details as they become available. The District Finals will be held at the Colorado Springs Regional May 24-30, 2005. Winning teams of each flight category of the District Finals are eligible to compete in the National Finals which will be held prior to the Summer NABC in Atlanta July 21-31, 2005. More information is available on the web site at [www.district17news.com/GNTConditions.html](http://www.district17news.com/GNTConditions.html).

The Club Level Qualifying Games for the 2004-2005 **North American Pairs** were held during the months of June, July and August 2004. Your placement in the top 50% of any of these games qualified you to participate in the NAP District Championship to be held in Albuquerque on January 21-22, 2005, in conjunction with the Navajo Trail Regional. Top placers in each flight of the District Final competition may elect to participate in the National Finals at the NABC in Pittsburg March 10-20, 2004. For more information see [www.district17news.com/NAOPConditions.html](http://www.district17news.com/NAOPConditions.html).



## Northern Colorado Directory

The Unit will be publishing a new addition of the Northern Colorado Bridge Directory this fall. This handy little booklet has all of the names, addresses and phone numbers of the duplicate bridge players and friends of Northern Colorado. If you need to make any address or phone number changes please contact any board member or send an e-mail to [directory@NorthernColoradoBridge.com](mailto:directory@NorthernColoradoBridge.com). We would

also like to include e-mail addresses but we must have your permission first. Please let us know if you would like your e-mail address included in the directory. (This is the only way some of us know how to communicate!) Our policy regarding e-mail addresses is that we will not publish on-line any e-mail address of a unit member. Also any e-mails messages sent to unit members will not explicitly include your e-mail address in any of the message headers. This will help insure your e-mail privacy but allow you to share your e-mail address with those who need it – your partners.

## Milestones

### BIG GAMES REPORTED

- 71.35% -----Jim Zuboy, Sue Caulfield – Greeley, Friday Eve. – June 11, 2004  
72.92% -----Neil Petrie, Jon Gustafson – Fort Collins, Monday Aft. – July 5, 2004  
71.40% -----Larry Mason, Neil Petrie – Fort Collins, Tuesday Aft. – July 13, 2004  
74.40% -----Barbara & Jon Gustafson – Fort Collins, Monday Afternoon – Sept. 13, 2004.  
73.48% -----Neil Petrie, Jon Gustafson – Fort Collins, Tuesday Afternoon – Sept. 21, 2004

### MASTERPOINT MILESTONES (NOTE: NEW LIFE MASTERS ARE LISTED IN **BOLD**)

*JUNIOR MASTER – 5-20 MASTERPOINTS*  
LYLE JOHNSON, PAT MATTHEWS

*SECTIONAL MASTER – 50-100 MP – 5 SILVER*  
SALLY HARPER, JANE CLARK, SUE SIMMONS

*LIFE MASTER – 300+ MP – 50 SILVER, 25 GOLD, 25 RED/GOLD*

### **BILL STOLTEY**

### NEW MEMBERS

ARLENE CONNELL, FORT COLLINS  
NANCY RATTMANN, FORT COLLINS  
JOE GORMAN, FORT COLLINS  
GLORIA JOHNSON, GREELEY

### TRANSFERRED INTO UNIT

EMMA JANE GUNDERSON, LOVELAND (FROM LONG BEACH)  
BARBARA MEIER, WINDSOR (FROM LOMPOC, CA)  
BRUCE SELLERS, FORT COLLINS (FROM DENVER)  
KAY FERGUS, LOVELAND (FROM LOMPOC, CA)  
CAROL IRVIN, LOVELAND (FROM LOMPOC, CA)  
DARRELL & LINDA WYATT, FORT COLLINS (FROM MARYLAND)

### IN MEMORIAM

Lou Jorgensen, Fort Collins



## THE CLUB CORNER

**FORT COLLINS – MARLENE ARANCI**----- 223-0046

ELK'S LODGE – 140 EAST OAK

SENIOR CENTER – 1200 RAINTREE DRIVE

*DAYTIME DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB*

Mondays – 12:30 ---- Elk's Lodge -----Open, standby avail.

Club Appreciation Game	October 11
Club Championship	October 18
Membership Game	November 8
STAC Game	December 6

*CHOICE CITY DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB*

Tuesdays – 12:30 --- Senior Center ----- Open, all ages

Club Appreciation Game	October 5
Membership Game	November 2
Club Championship	November 16
STAC Game	December 7

*FORT COLLINS DUPLICATE PLAYERS CLUB*

Wednesdays – 6:45---- Elk's Lodge --- Open, Teams 1<sup>st</sup> Wed

Club Championship	September 29
Club Appreciation Team Game	October 6
Club Appreciation Pairs Game	October 20

Swiss Teams	November 3
Club Championship	November 10
Local Charity Team Championship	December 1
STAC Game	December 8

**BRUSH – DON MITCHELL** ----- 842-4719

*FORT MORGAN BRIDGE CLUB*

1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays – 7:15----- Eban Ezer Home ----- Invitational

Wednesday – 12:30----- Fort Morgan Country Club ---- Open

**GREELEY – JUNE EWALD**----- 506-0863

COMMUNITY FIRST NATIONAL BANK – 4290 WEST 10<sup>TH</sup> ST.

THE GREELEY CLUB

Wednesdays – 12:00 ----- Open Game

Fridays – 6:45 ----- Open Game

**NIWOT – MARLENE ARANCI**----- 223-0046

THE LEFTHAND GRANGE – 2ND & FRANKLIN

*LONGMONT DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB*

Thursdays – 7:15 ----- Open

Club Appreciation Game	October 14
Club Championship	November 18
STAC Game	December 9

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