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ACBL Unit 363 Newsletter

The RECAP

September 2009

## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Larry Matheny

The news from Unit 363 continues to be good. The long awaited "Challenge" match with the Boulder unit took place in August and was a decided success. We hope to make this an annual event. This month we concluded another successful Sectional Tournament. Details on both of these events may be found in subsequent pages of this newsletter.

Our local clubs are thriving. The new locations for the Monday and Wednesday games have proved to be very popular as the attendance at both is growing. The move to the air-conditioned facility for the monthly unit games has also been met with an increase in the number of tables. I think it's safe to say that bridge is alive and healthy in Northern Colorado.

Since Fall is approaching and it's back to school time, this seems a good opportunity to remind everyone of the many classes available to improve your game. Our Education Chair, Andrea French, has an article on page eight with the details.

I want to remind everyone of the important information on our web page. There is a new problem hand each week along with game schedules and results. Please continue to support your local clubs and tournaments and let the board know what we can do to improve bridge in Northern Colorado.

### UNIT 363 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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# RESULTS & SCHEDULES

## UNIT GAME REPORT

The Unit games continue to be very successful. We had 15 tables in April, 15 in May, 19.5 in June, 18 in July, and 16 teams in August. Our winners in the June World Wide Pairs event, Bill Follis and Marilyn Pultz, had a 64.6% game, earning them 2<sup>nd</sup> place in District 17 of the ACBL. The results are below.

### April 18 Unit Championship

	A	B	C
Paul Flanders-Andrea Kutscher	1	1	
Gladys Agan – Ruth Roden	2	2	
Larry Matheny – Jim Zuboy	3		
Larry Hulse – Larry Mason			3
MaryCarol Evenson – Kay Seyler			1
Jane Baryames – M. Nickodemus			2
Burke Snowden – Craig Snowden			3

### May 9 STaC Game

North-South	A	B	C
Barbara Gustafson-Larry Matheny	½		
Fiona Freeseaman– Beth McGregor	½	1	1
Kitty Cooper – Steve Cooper	3		
Doug Watt – Norm Watt			2
Gladys Agan – Ruth Roden			3
Burke Snowden – Jerry Potter			2
Rena Hansch – Walt Hutton			3

### East-West

	A	B	C
Liz Varra – George Varra	1	1	1
Jon Gustafson –Ginny Steele	2		
Bill Stoltey – Jim Zuboy	3	2	
Bill Darden – Mel Rueppel		3	2
Bill Follis – Marilyn Pultz			3

### June 7 World Wide Pairs

	A	B	C
Bill Follis - Marilyn Pultz	1	1	
Jon Gustafson- Neil Petrie	2		
Dawn Foltz – Greg Foltz	3		
Bill Greeley – Gail Greeley		2	1
Larry Hulse – Rhonda Huser		3	
Beth McGregor – Brad Simmons			2
Vickie Hamende – Carol Shafer			3

### July 19 North American Pairs

	A	B	C
Bill Follis – Marilyn Pultz	½	½	
Doug Watt – Norm Watt	½	½	
Jon Gustafson – Neil Petrie	3		
Stella O'Neill – Bill Stoltey		3	
John Krueger-Mel Rueppel			1
Gail Hanson – Trudy Owen			2

### August 8 Swiss Teams

	A	B	C
Vince Bates, Bill Stoltey, Ann Vincent, Jim Zuboy	1		
Brad & Sue Simmons, Burke & Craig Snowden	2/3	½	
Lee Bennett, Barb Miller, Barb Massey, Julie Wertz	2/3	½	1
Rena Hansch, Walt Hutton Dick & Marge Webster		3	



# NORTHERN COLORADO - BOULDER CHALLENGE MATCH

A challenge match between our unit and the Boulder unit was held August 15. Twenty-four players divided into three flights were recruited from each unit. It was a two-session event with pairs competing in the morning and the team game in the afternoon. Boulder took an impressive lead in the first session but Northern Colorado came roaring back in the afternoon to finish with a 96-84 win. We hope this becomes an annual event with each unit alternating as host.

As always, many people helped to make this possible but much of the credit goes to Jon Gustafson from Northern Colorado and Karen Renne from the Boulder unit. Jon was the person who first suggested we do this and he worked many hours to make it happen. Here are the leaders of the two sessions:

## PAIRS

	A	B	C
<b>Kitty Cooper – Steve Cooper</b>	1		
Kurt Simmons - Scott Needham	2	1	
Paula Warren - Margaret Devere	3		
Katelin Yates-Margaret Jones		2	
Vincent Bates - Anne Vincent		3	
<b>Bob Link - Al Walsh</b>			1
Bill Hendrick - William Jeffers			2
Joyce Bograd - Judith Walker			3

## FLIGHT A TEAMS

<b>Steven Cooper, Kitty Cooper, Neil Petrie, Jon Gustafson</b>	1
Woody Dillinger, Will Brackett, Clinton Heiple, Larry Dolan	2
<b>Greg Foltz, Larry Matheny, Dawn Foltz, Edward Yosses</b>	3

## FLIGHT B TEAMS

<b>Mel Rueppel, Beth McGregor, Lloyd Parker, Jane Harroff</b>	1/2
<b>Rhonda Huser, Marcene Sterkel, Larry Hulse, Darlene Botteron</b>	1/2
Andrea Kutscher, Paul Flanders, Vincent Bates, Anne Vincent	3

## FLIGHT C TEAMS

Arlene Connell, Bonnie Johnson, Jim Rattmann, Alfred Katzman	1
<b>Vicki Hamende, Trudy Owen, Ann Leffler, Lucille Takes</b>	2
<b>Burke &amp; Craig Snowden, Bob Link, Al Walsh</b>	3



# THE SUMMER SECTIONAL

By Larry Matheny

The Summer Sectional held September 11-13 was very successful. Although we didn't have quite the number of tables we had at the record-breaking event last year, a likely factor was the move of the tournament from August to September to accommodate scheduling problems at the playing site.

Our tournament co-chairs, Bill Dorin and Andrea French, deserve tons of credit for their hard work. Along with Bill and Andrea, we want to thank everyone who helped organize, find partners, set up, bake goodies, offer non-stop hospitality (and good competition), direct and assist in directing, caddy, and clean up.

Special congratulations to **Brad Simmons** who made Life Master at our Tournament.

Results are summarized below, with full results available on our website:

[www.northerncoloradobridge.com](http://www.northerncoloradobridge.com)

## Friday Bracketed Knockout Teams - Bkt 1

- 1 Fred Herring, Suzanne Jones,  
Anita Heitler, Don Heitler
- 2 Morris Futernick, Miriam Futernick,  
Gary Greene - Tom Stack

## Friday Bracketed Knockout Teams - Bkt 2

- 1 **Beth McGregor, Sue Simmons,  
Bradley Simmons, Jane Boulter**
- 2 Yayoun Zee, Antonio Vila,  
Betsy Abruzzo, Molly Kienker

## Friday Bracketed Knockout Teams - Bkt 3

- 1 **Frank Demeyer, Scotch Timm,  
Jasper Brundage, Margaret Webster**
- 2 **Gail Hanson, John Krueger,  
Melvin Rueppel, Andrea French**

## Friday Morning Open Pairs

- | A | B | C                                   |
|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | 1 | <b>James Zuboy</b> – Andy Johnson   |
| 2 | 2 | 1 Carol Ward - Scott Needham        |
| 3 | 3 | 2 <b>Bill Darden - Jane Harroff</b> |
|   |   | 3 Percy Harris III - Wayne Wong     |

## Friday Morning 199er Pairs

- | D | E | F                                      |
|---|---|--|
| 1 | 1 | B. Woodard – Barb Schwartz             |
| 2 | 2 | <b>Phyllis Quick - MaryJean Nelson</b> |
| 3 | 3 | 1 N. Rainwater – A. Woodward           |
|   |   | 2 <b>Bunny Katzman – K. Hamilton</b>   |
|   |   | 3 <b>Gwenda Purdy - Tommy Yardley</b>  |

## Friday Afternoon Stratified Open Pairs

- | A | B | C                                    |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|
| 1 |   | <b>Larry Matheny - Neil Petrie</b>   |
| 2 | 1 | 1 Randall Slinger - Judy Slinger     |
| 3 | 2 | <b>Maryann Baumann - J Altman</b>    |
|   |   | 3 <b>Ruth Logan - Susan Cuff</b>     |
|   |   | 2 <b>Jane &amp; Rich Kommrusch</b>   |
|   |   | 3 <b>Bill Greeley – Gail Greeley</b> |

## Friday Afternoon Stratified 199er Pairs

- | D   | E   | F  |
|-----|-----|--|
| 1   |     | Jean Hupka – B. Messerschmidt            |
| 2   | 1   | <b>Nancy Rattmann - Irma Maston</b>      |
| 3/4 | 2/3 | 1 <b>P. Pietenpol - John Blankinship</b> |
| 3/4 | 2/3 | <b>Phyllis Quick – Mary Jean Nelson</b>  |
|     |     | 2 Ray Hedberg - Lorena Soares            |
|     |     | 3 <b>Barbara Hagen – P. Titterington</b> |

## Friday Evening Strati-Flighted A/X Pairs

- | A | X |   |
|---|---|---|
| 1 |   | Allen Kane - En Hay                     |
| 2 |   | Donald Boyarsky - Chuck Henke           |
| 3 |   | <b>Larry Matheny - Neil Petrie</b>      |
|   | 1 | Jeanne Gray - Charlie Anderson          |
|   | 2 | Perrie Kay Avery - <b>Billie Turner</b> |
|   | 3 | B. Sheumaker - Kelley Flink             |

## Friday Evening Strati-Flighted B/C/D Pairs

- | B | C | D                                    |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|
| 1 |   | <b>Rita Koch - Joyce Glittenberg</b> |
| 2 |   | <b>Douglas Watt - Norman Watt</b>    |
| 3 | 1 | <b>M. Nickodemus - Gail Greeley</b>  |
|   | 2 | 1 Richard Rose - Donald Fuerst       |
|   | 3 | 2 Shirley Miller - Robert Vetter     |

### Saturday Stratified Pairs

A	B	C
1		Don Boyarsky - Ernest Skolnik
2	1	Robert Lupton - Robert Paris
3		David Caprera - <b>Varis Carey</b>
	2	1 Rick Clelland - John Hart
	<b>3</b>	<b>James Zuboy - Bill Stoltey</b>
		2 William Brooks - Gena Brooks
		3 <b>Bill Darden - Melvin Rueppel</b>

### Saturday Morning 199er

D	E	F
1	1	1 <b>Barb Hagen - Phyllis Titterington</b>
2	2	<b>Ann Leffler - Kathy Hamilton</b>
3		Michael Morter - George Hearne
	3	2 <b>Gwenda Purdy - Tommy Yardley</b>
		3 Jared Johnson - Anne Hill

### Saturday Afternoon 199er Pairs

D	E	F
1	1	1 R. Chojnacki – M. Shulsinger
2	2	2 N. Rainwater – A. Woodward
3	3	3 Wayne Wong - Percy Harris III

### Sunday A/X Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams

A	X
1/2	<b>Neil Petrie, Jon Gustafson,</b> Linda Sundbye, D. Goldston
1/2	Fred Herring, Suzanne Jones, Anita Heitler, Don Heitler
3/4	Flo Newlin, Cal Newlin Jr, En Hay, Allen Kane

### A X (cont)

3/4	<b>Steven Cooper,</b> Bruce Cobb, Jayesh Goyal, Kenneth Stuckey
1	Clinton Heiple, Woody Dillinger, Audrius Mizeikis, Joanna Chau
2/3	Perrie Kay Avery, <b>M Aranci,</b> <b>Billie Turner, Stella O'Neill</b>
2/3	Roberta Vider, Nona Dale, Mary Fulton, Pat Drew

### Sunday B/C/D Strati-Flighted Swiss

Teams	B	C	D
1			Katelin Yates, Scott Needham, Andrea Kutscher, Vincent Bates
2			Nancy & Gerald Benedict, George Everitt, Judith Jadin
3			<b>Doug Watt, Norman Watt,</b> <b>Fiona Freeseaman, J. Worley</b>
1			Ray McLean, William Kacena, Frank Novachek, R Gene Lewis
2			Allen Johnson, Clara Bunning, Sandra Lee, Rosemary Todd
3			<b>Marilyn Pultz, Bill Follis,</b> Warren Androus, Dee Androus
1			<b>Otto Luhrs, Carol Luhrs,</b> <b>Peter Hogue, Linda Hogue</b>
2			Joyce Bograd, Wendy Ferraro, Carolyn Spicer, Judy Walker



## One-Day 299er Sectional Tournament to be October 31

The second annual one-day **Falling Leaves 299er Sectional Tournament** will be held Saturday, October 31st, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Fort Collins. The format will be 2 one-session pairs games starting at 9:00 and 1:30. A box lunch will be available between sessions and coffee and snacks will be available during the day. This tournament will award **Silver Masterpoints** to winners!!

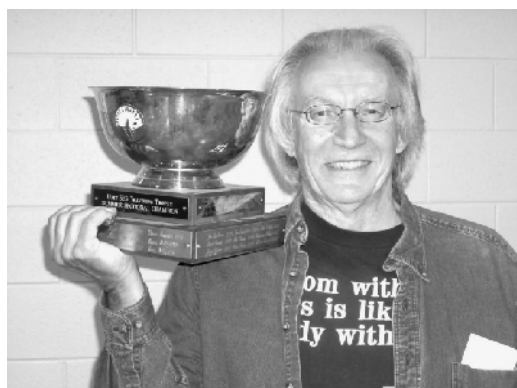
Details are available on our website, [www.northerncoloradobridge.com](http://www.northerncoloradobridge.com) and on flyers at your local club. Please put this on your calendar and contact co-chairs Gail Hanson or Rena Hansch for additional information. Rena is also serving as partnership chair.

## Summer Sectional Trophy Winner

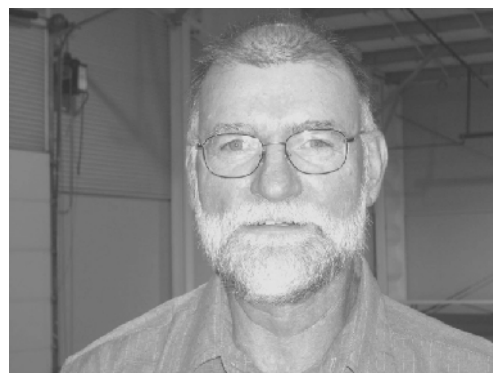
This year's top masterpoint winner from our Unit was **Neil Petrie**. Congratulations to Neil for a great tournament.

### Top 50 Tournament Masterpoint Winners

1	28.15	Fred Herring, Aurora	26	<b>10.00 James Zuboy, Loveland</b>
2	<b>26.97</b>	<b>Neil Petrie, Fort Collins</b>	27	9.98 Katelin Yates, Erie
3	25.39	Don Heitler, Englewood	28	9.69 Andrea Kutscher, Longmont
4	25.39	Anita Heitler, Englewood	29	9.11 Robert Sherman, Lafayette
5	24.60	Suzanne Jones, Boulder	30	9.09 Joanna Chau, Arvada
6	<b>21.76</b>	<b>Larry Matheny, Loveland</b>	31	9.09 Audrius Mizeikis, Denver
7	21.25	Donald Boyarsky, Denver	32	8.58 Chuck Henke, Aurora
8	19.67	Ernest Skolnik, Denver	33	8.43 Vincent Bates, Boulder
9	19.27	Linda Sundbye, Broomfield	34	7.74 Susan Cuff, Denver
10	19.27	Dennis Goldston, Col. Spgs	<b>35 7.74 Ruth Logan, Greeley</b>	
11	17.36	En Hay, Littleton	36	7.58 Gary Greene, Longmont
<b>12 17.35 Jon Gustafson, Fort Collins</b>			37	7.58 Tom Stack, Boulder
13	14.66	Allen Kane, Pueblo West	38	7.51 Woody Dillinger, Golden
14	14.11	Scott Needham, Boulder	39	7.51 Clinton Heiple, Boulder
<b>15 13.87 Varis Carey, Fort Collins</b>			40	7.51 Jayesh Goyal, Thornton
16	13.87	David Caprera, Denver	41	7.33 Donald Vancil, Aurora
17	13.42	Bruce Cobb, Denver	42	7.12 John Hart, Boulder
<b>18 13.42 Steven Cooper, Ft Collins</b>			43	7.12 Rick Clelland, Boulder
19	13.31	Robert Paris, Denver	<b>44 6.85 Douglas Watt, Loveland</b>	
20	13.31	Robert Lupton, Aurora	<b>45 6.85 Norman Watt, Loveland</b>	
21	11.45	Cal Newlin Jr, Aurora	<b>46 6.83 Sue Simmons, Greeley</b>	
22	11.06	Flo Newlin, Aurora	<b>47 6.80 Stella O'Neill, Fort Collins</b>	
<b>23 10.74 Billie Turner, Greeley</b>			48	6.66 Miriam Futernick, Miami FL
24	10.74	Perrie Kay Avery, Cheyenne	49	6.66 Morris Futernick, Miami FL
25	10.60	Kenneth Stuckey, Arvada	50	6.32 George Everitt, Centennial



Travelling Trophy Winner – Neil Petrie



New Life Master – Brad Simmons



# COMING EVENTS

The following Unit sponsored events are coming up in the next few months. Our **playing site is St. John's Lutheran Church at 305 East Elizabeth in Ft. Collins.** The Unit maintains a calendar of coming events that can be accessed over the Internet (<http://calendar.yahoo.com/norcolobridge/>). The calendar lists all of the ACBL Nationals, District 17 regionals and the Colorado and Cheyenne sectionals, along with all of the unit games.

## September Pairs Championship

Event: One-Session Open Pairs

Date: Saturday, September 26, 2009

Starting Times: Lesson at noon, Game at 1 pm

Entry Fee: \$6/person

## 299er Sectional Tournament

Unit 363 Falling Leaves 299er Sectional

Tournament, Saturday October 31, 2009 at St.

John's Lutheran Church in Fort Collins. Pick

up a flyer at your local club.

## October Election Game

Event: Two-Session Unit Pairs Championship

Date: Saturday, October 10, 2009

Starting Time: 9:30 & 2:00

Entry Fee: \$6/person per session

## November Pairs Championship

Event: One-Session Unit Game

Date: Saturday, November 21, 2009

Starting Time: Lesson at noon, Game at 1pm

Entry fee: \$6/person

## December Holiday Pairs Party

Event: Two-Session Unit Championship

Date: Saturday, December 12, 2009

Starting Time: 9:30 & 2:00

Entry fee: \$6/person per session



## Election of the Unit Board

The October Unit game will provide the setting for this year's annual membership meeting and election of Unit 363 board members between sessions Saturday, October 10, 2009, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Fort Collins. The nominating committee of Barbara Meier, Neil Petrie, and George Varra has selected the following candidates for your consideration: (1) Andrea French, (2) Sue Simmons, (3) Doug Watt, and (4) Ed Yosses. 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, Bill Stoltey, 3407 Avon Court, Fort Collins, CO. 80526, post-marked no later than October 3, 2009. 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.



## New Player Directory Available

The 2009-10 *Unit 363 Directory of Bridge Players* is available. Please see your club manager for a copy.



# EDUCATION

By Andrea French

## Northern Colorado Unit 363 is a Community of Learners

The fall is always a time to “get back to school”. Once again the learning opportunities for members of Unit 363 are abundant. The following classes are being offered:

-Julie Larson is offering Updated Standard American classes for all levels. These are being taught in the evening in her home. Please contact Julie at 484-4767 for more information.

-Curt Cramer is offering beginning bridge lessons at the Fort Collins Sr. Center beginning Sept. 27. The classes continue through November 22. This eight-week session meets on Sundays from 1:00 – 3:00 (no class on November 8). The fee is \$33 for members and \$40 for non-members. Contact the Fort Collins Sr. Center for more information.

-In Estes Park, John Krueger is planning to have two regular classes this fall. One is with the Newcomers Club, which limits it to members of the club. The focus of this class will be Defense and will use the ACBL series book. The class takes place at the Estes Park Library from 2:00 to 4:30 and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Thursdays starting in October.

The second class will be open to anyone. It will be held every Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. starting in October. It will meet in a local home and will focus on Play of the Hand, again using the ACBL series text. John is also planning to hold a few “ad hoc” classes so if you live in the area and are interested please contact him.

-Dick Webster is offering classes at the Loveland Sr. Center. Bridge I will focus on Bidding and Responding. It is open to anyone wanting updated information on Standard American hand evaluation and one level opening bidding. This class meets every Wednesday (1:00 – 3:00) from Sept. 23 through Nov. 18. The fee is \$61 or \$57 for members of the Loveland Sr. Center holding an activity card.

He is also offering a Bridge 3 Defense Strategy and Opening Leads class at the Loveland Sr. Center on Fridays from 1:30 to 3:30. The class begins on Sept. 25 and continues through Nov. 20. Again the fee is \$61 or \$57 for members of the Loveland Sr. Center holding an activity card. Information for both classes is available by contacting Dick Webster at 970-635-9417.

In addition to these classes, the unit also offers lessons before most Saturday Unit games and Larry Matheny hosts The Salon at the Fort Fun Bridge Club on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month.

If you are interested please consider the many learning opportunities available to our unit and don't forget: **Please spread the good word about duplicate – encourage a friend to consider learning to play duplicate bridge with our Unit. Your help is needed to continue the growth of Northern Colorado Bridge.**



# IMPROVE YOUR PLAY

with Larry Matheny

Good defense can be difficult but using good bridge sense will solve many of your problems. Here is a hand where a defender didn't give the problem enough thought at trick one.

Scoring: Matchpoints (pairs)

Hand #1 ♣ 9874  
 Dir S ♥ QJ86  
 Vul E/W ♦ 973  
 ♣ KQ

♠ 53  
 ♥ K9543  
 ♦ 2  
 ♣ 108543



♠ KQJ62  
 ♥ A107  
 ♦ AQ8  
 ♣ 96

♠ A10  
 ♥ 2  
 ♦ KJ10654  
 ♣ AJ72

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	3 ♦*	DBL	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

\*Constructive raise: 7-9 points w/4 card spade support

**BIDDING:** North-South bid aggressively to game and East made a lead-directing double encouraging a diamond lead.

**PLAY:** West obediently led a diamond and declarer won the king with his ace. Next, declarer led a high spade won by East. The big question for East was whether his partner had led a singleton or the deuce from Q82. If it was a singleton, a diamond ruff might be necessary to defeat the contract. If declarer had the singleton diamond, East must shift to a heart and hope partner held the ace and could follow with a ruff. The problem was created at trick one. East KNEW (see below) that declarer held the diamond ace so the only question was who held the queen. East should play the diamond ten at trick one to solve this puzzle. After declarer wins the queen, when East regains the lead with the spade ace, he can confidently lead a diamond for West to ruff. West will later score the king of hearts for down one. If East shifts to a heart instead at trick two, declarer will rise with the ace, draw trumps, and make the contract losing one spade, one heart and one club. This type of "discovery" play occurs frequently.

Note: If you find yourself with a partner who under leads an ace in this situation, rush to the partnership desk as soon as you can.



# IMPROVE YOUR PLAY

with Larry Matheny

In a pairs contest overtricks are important. However, securing a plus score is also a good idea. Here is a hand where declarer saw a safe route to the eight tricks he needed.

Scoring: Matchpoints (Pairs Game)

<b>Hand #2</b>	♠ J107				
<b>Dir E</b>	♥ QJ53				
<b>Vul N/S</b>	♦ 2				
	♣ A9642				
		<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>	<b>South</b>
♠ AQ32	♠ 954			Pass	1NT
♥ 982	♥ 1074	Pass	2♣	Pass	2♦
♦ J765	♦ AK94	Pass	2NT	Pass	Pass
♣ J8	♣ Q107	Pass			
	♠ K86				
	♥ AK6				
	♦ Q1083				
	♣ K53				

**BIDDING:** South opened 1NT showing 15-17 points. North used the Stayman convention and after discovering South did not hold a four-card major, invited game in notrump. Holding a minimum, South quickly passed.

**PLAY:** West led a low diamond won by East with the king. He followed with the ace and a third diamond. Declarer could count seven tricks: four hearts, one diamond, and two clubs. If the missing clubs divided 3-2, he could establish that suit for additional tricks. However, losing a club along with three diamonds left him in a position to lose two spades if the honors in that suit were behind him or if he guessed wrong. Then he realized the actual problem was to not lose a club trick. He won the diamond queen and led a low spade toward dummy. West could win the queen and cash the fourth diamond but the defense was finished. Declarer was able to establish his eighth trick in spades and was pleased when he saw his contract could have been defeated if he had led clubs.

The simple job of counting tricks is a task too often forgotten.



# MILESTONES

## Big Games Reported (Apr – Aug 2008)

April 8 73.33% Julie Larson – Neil Petrie  
May 6 71.75% Varis Carey – Steve Cooper  
May 11 70.83% Larry Matheny – Neil Petrie  
Jun 24 70.00% Barb Meier – Bill Stoltey  
Jul 16 71.53% Ruth Roden – Nila Sheneman  
Aug 5 71.53% Jon Gustafson – Neil Petrie

## Masterpoint Milestones

### Junior Master – 5 Masterpoints

Frank Berthoud  
Mary Bopp  
Hart Renger  
Phyllis Titterington

### Club Master – 20-50 Masterpoints

Jim Berthold  
Esther Cenac  
Bob Link  
Carol Luhrs  
Gwenda Purdy

### Sectional Master – 50 Masterpoints

Jane Harroff  
Miriam Johnson  
Burke Snowden  
Craig Snowden  
Al Walsh

### Regional Master – 100 Masterpoints

Rena Hansch  
Linda Pirie  
Bobby Semryck

### NABC Master – 200 Masterpoints

Andrea French  
Gail Greeley  
Bill Greeley  
Gail Hanson  
Larry Hulse  
Margaret Webster

### Life Master – 300 Masterpoints

Ron Alexander  
Walt Hutton  
Brad Simmons  
John Worley

### Bronze Master – 500 Masterpoints

Maryann Baumann  
Jasper Brundege  
Bill Follis  
Peggy Martin  
Marilyn Pultz

### Emerald Life Master – 7500 Masterpoints

Steve Cooper

## New Members

Mary Banken  
Johanna Darden  
Elaine Ford  
Cherlyn Gorsky  
Susan Lowe  
Carol Marcotte  
Elizabeth Sage  
Linda Stratton

## Transferred into Unit

Darlene Botteron from Denver  
Donald Jenkins from Iowa  
Robert Solick from N.E. Kansas



## Publication of News & Notes in the RECAP

The newsletter will continue to provide **Upcoming Events**, **Tournament Results**, **Membership Milestones** and the **Club Corner**, and from time-to-time, articles of general interest to bridge players in Northern Colorado and nearby communities. Please contact the editor with any news, special events, or items of general interest including challenging and interesting bridge hands. You can even win a **free play** for one of our Unit games. Just send us a bridge problem from a local game, and if it's website material, you're a winner.

Larry Matheny, Editor

Marilyn Pultz, Asst. Editor

# Club Corner

## Fort Collins

### **Daytime Duplicate Bridge Club**

Senior Center – 1200 Raintree Drive  
Marlene Aranci-----223-0046  
Mon – 12:30-----Open, standby available

### **Choice City Duplicate Bridge Club**

Senior Center – 1200 Raintree Drive  
Marlene Aranci -----223-0046  
Tue – 12:30-----Open, All ages welcome

### **Fort Collins Duplicate Players Club**

Community of Christ Church, 220 E. Oak  
Dawn Foltz-----204-1952  
Wed – 6:30-----Open, Teams 1<sup>st</sup> Wed

### **The Fort Fun Bridge Club**-----0-200 Game

St. John's Lutheran Church, 305 E. Elizabeth St.  
Marilyn Pultz & Bill Follis-----970-980-5366  
[FunBridge@comcast.net](mailto:FunBridge@comcast.net)  
Thurs – 6:30 -----Call for reservation or a partner

### **Senior Center Duplicate (non-ACBL sanctioned)**

Senior Center – 1200 Raintree Drive  
Mark Spaeth-----669-7329  
Fri – 11:30-----Open

The RECAP  
% Larry Matheny  
941 Alexandria Drive  
Loveland, CO 80538-1573

## Brush

### **Fort Morgan Bridge Club**

Don Mitchell-----842-4719  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3rd Mon – 6:30--Carroll Building-----Invitational  
Wed – 12:30 ----- Carroll Building-----Open

## Niwot

### **Longmont Duplicate Bridge Club**

The Lefthand Grange - 2nd & Franklin  
Marlene Aranci -----223-0046  
Thur – 7:00-----Open

## Greeley

### **The Greeley Club**

Donna & Tom Roberts-----506-0863  
Greeley Senior Center – 1010 6th Street  
Wed – 12:30-----Open Game  
Greeley Senior Center – 1010 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Sat– 12:30-----Open Game

## Estes Park

### **Estes Park Duplicate Club**

Methodist Church – 1509 Fish Hatchery Road  
John Krueger-----970-577-0657  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays-1:00-----Open, Stratified  
Call to reserve a spot or partner.

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