

Jacksonville School of Bridge





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Rank Achievements

Kathleen Converse	Club Master	Jacquelyn Bates	Regional Master	Lorie Holmes	NABC Master
Pasquele Gilberto	Sectional Master	Estes Carns	Regional Master	Marie Greenstein	Silver Life Master
Carol Neville	Sectional Master	Rosemary Jenkins	Regional Master	Julie Bradley	Sapphire Life Master
Paul Turner	Sectional Master	Jane Lothrop	Regional Master	Ann Buchholz	Sapphire Life Master

Note: Rank Achievements are posted here when published in Sunshine Bridge News

Board News:

- Welcome, new Board Members: Jacquelyn Bates, Sharon Bushman, Monica Heseman
- Thank you, outgoing Board Members for your service: Lorie Holmes, John Orren
- New Officers: President, Jan Madsen; Vice President, Melissa Sovereign; Secretary, Nancy Whitmire; Treasurer, Mark Franzoni
- Continuing Board Members: Lynn Brown, Aldo Cardia, Anne Landry

Financial Report: The generosity of our members has kept our financial situation positive for the year. Thank you!

New members: Welcome, Jeanette Arnold, Nancy Bartmess, Nancy Faigen, Louise Fontecchio, Penney Shannon, Gary Smith

ACBL Alert Changes worth noting again:

- Transfers over NT openers instead of saying "transfer," state the transfer suit. For example,
 1NT, 2♦. The alert explanation is "hearts" instead of "transfer."
- 2. Support doubles and redoubles no longer require an alert.
- 3. Weak jump shifts in an uncontested auction no longer require an alert.
- 4. If you play a short club opening, or any other opening bid that could be less than 3 cards, you now state so at the beginning of the round as a pre-alert. "Our 1 club could be short." Or, "We play a strong club system." Then, when you make such an opening that is not forcing, announce (alert in online play), the minimum number of cards promised in the suit, such as "Could be 2."
- 5. If you are playing a response to a short club is mandated no matter how few points, responder MUST share that info via alert by saying, "Could be fewer than 5 high card points."
- 6. A direct cue bid that is not Michaels requires an alert.

- 7. A one level response that is not forcing requires an alert. (I don't think this applies to a passed hand.)
- 8. A 2-club opener that could be based on playing strength rather than high card strength (22+) requires an alert.
- **9.** Delayed alerts are made after the conclusion of the auction and before the opening lead. Make sure that you include any control showing bids that occurred in the auction. This includes cue bids and responses to various Blackwood or Gerber auctions.

Happy February Birthday

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Patricia Bayer		Geri Myers	7	Teresa Sheinberg	16			
Barbara Green	1	William Bennett	9	Claudia Bliss	17			
Shirley Seals		Alexa Streeter	9	Bonnie Clutterbuck	18			
Mark Franzoni	4	Daniel Jacobs	10	John Brady	21			
Kathi Gardner	4	Trudy Little	14	Lynn Leisy	24			
Nadine Sabatier		Anne Bader	15	Virginia Noon	25			
Jason Benepe	7	Frances Maury	16					

Happy March Birthday

Marlise Cusick		Jana Kieper	8	Rosemary Copeland	20
Dennis Bushman		Pam Wolf	15	Diane Burch	23
Jeanne Harlan		Susan Goodall	16	Yvonne Giberson	24
Chester Montgomery		John Landry	17	Mary Worth Crouch	25
Melissa Sovereign		Bobbie Fost	19	Beverly Montgomery	28
Linda O'Dell		Joanne Lilore	19	Ed Berg	29
John Orren	7	Sue Subin	19	Margaret Bryan	30

If you are a paid-up member, have a February or March birthday, and don't see your name on this list, please email Jeanne Harlan at vandykat@gmail.com so we can update our records.

Thank you, Judy Miller, for proofreading this issue.