



Jacksonville School of Bridge

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Congratulations to Lynn Leisy, Ann Buchholz and John Brady who placed in the top 20 in their categories in the 2020 Mini-McKenney races, with over 500 master points each.

Congratulations, Christie Sellers and John Landry, who both achieved the rank of Diamond Life Master.

Thank you, Greg Euston, for donating a laptop computer.

Thank you, Ted Burns, for bringing orchids for Mother's Day and for removing trash from the property.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of **Billie Cagle** whose daughter **Terri** has passed away. Billie and Terri cleaned the club house and supported our sectionals.

Grand National Teams Competition: JSOB members who advanced to the final round were **Ann Buchholz, Mark Crumrine, Jim West and Joe Ur** in Flight A; **Clive Morgan and Bobbie Fost** in Flight B; and **Ted Burns, Don Michels, Marty Eltrich and Ed Jenkins** in Flight C. Clive and his teammates won First Place in Flight B, accumulating 26.8 Gold Master Points. Ted, Don, Marty and Ed won First Place in Flight C and were awarded 20 Gold/Red Master Points. Bobbie and her teammates tied for 3/4 place, earning 10.72 Gold Master Points. The A team, Ann, Mark, Joe, and Jim, placed fourth overall. All games were played on BBO, as will the Championship games which will be held on BBO in mid-July. Only first place winners advance to the NAOBC. Best of luck, Ted, Don, Marty, Ed, and Clive! We will be cheering for you!

NAP Qualifier and Colored Points (Applicable to All Players, Including Beginners!): On June 3 the club is holding a North American Pairs (**NAP**) qualifying game. This is a national competition in which, if you qualify by doing well in the club game, you can play at the district level. (We are District 9, unit 128 of the ACBL.) The district contest will be held in October at a date TBA. The winner of the District 9 contest goes to the Nationals in Spring 2022 in Reno with a cash award to help defray expenses! More importantly to those striving to make [Life Master](#), **1/2 of the points awarded on June 3 will be red.**

For other colored point opportunities, check the club [calendar](#) and watch for **STaC** Games in August. They award silver points. In November, a [Regional Tournament](#) is scheduled in Daytona Beach. Gold

points will be awarded there in some games. Having participated in all of the above, I can attest that it is all great fun. All are attainable, and you can do it! Please feel free to call me anytime if you need more information. –Jan Madsen (904-610-1802)

Craig Hemphill has joined the JSOB Board, replacing Sharon Bushman, who resigned. You all know Craig as an excellent player who has given much to the club over the years. He has been a tireless supporter since we reopened, even bringing cupcakes! His teaching lessons have always been popular and well attended. His experience with the club dates back to its inception, so his historical perspective and knowledge of past crises will be valuable to us. Thank you, Craig, for once again donating your time and reaffirming your commitment to the Club and to the game that we all love. –Jan Madsen

Harold Elkins is now JSOB's Bookkeeper. Thank you, Harold, for taking on this important task.

Lessons: To register, contact the instructors.

- **Bridge for Beginners**, starts Wed June 9 (10-week course), 2:30-4:30 PM. The course is taught by **Ru Terajewicz** (Ru.Terajewicz@gmail.com). Cost is \$120 which includes textbook. To register, contact Ru. Ru is an ACBL Certified Bridge Instructor, club and tournament director, and is now a Gold Life Master.
- **Practice Bidding and Play for Newer Players**, starts Th June 10 (8-week course) 2:30-4:30 PM. The course is taught by **Louise Fontecchio** (loufon@att.net). The course will help you improve your declarer play and review modern bidding methods. Cost is \$90 which includes textbook. To register, contact Louise. Louise is an ACBL Certified Bridge Instructor, comes with high praise for her teaching prowess in the program she ran at the Vanderbilt Club in Nashville, and is currently a Gold Life Master.

JSOB Sectional Tournament: Coming October 22-24

Name Tags: Newer players would like old timers to wear name tags so they can get to know us. Contact **Bonnie Crook** (bonniecreek2@gmail.com) ASAP to be included in a group order.

Birthdays are listed on the emailed JSOB Monthly Calendar. If you want your birthday listed and do not see your name, contact Jeanne Harlan (vandykat@gmail.com).

Club Finances: It takes 16 tables per game for JSOB to pay ACBL and the director. In addition, there are building expenses (utilities, cleaning, insurance, etc.). Therefore, **donations are appreciated.**

Thank you, **Judy Miller**, for editing this newsletter.