

KIBITZER

Louisiana Bridge Association November 1, 2023

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President's Message November 1, 2023

My thanks to everyone who helped to make the John Onstott Memorial Tournament a success. I am confident that this tournament will be an annual event. John was our last national champion and our only world champion. He was a huge supporter of the club for more than 50 years and he left the club \$100,000 in his will. He was everyone's friend and my weekly partner. Rest in peace John.

Everyone is reminded that effective November 1st, the time limit for requesting score corrections will be 45 minutes after the end of the game. Players get an opportunity to review and approve the score after each hand. They get a second opportunity to review the scores on the bridge mate after each round. They get a third opportunity after the game when the scores are posted. Upon request, the director will be happy to provide players a printout of their personal scores.

Larry Federico

At the LBA Face-to-Face:

October was so chocked full of events; my head was spinning. We had a Gold-point event, a 499er Sectional tournament, An ACBL-wide Senior Game, a Chat Game, a lecture series from Iype & Wayne and several Unit Championships. But the piece de resistance was our Halloween Party/Swiss Game! Congratulations to **LIL Range** and her committee. Our Spooky 8 is Enough Swiss Game was extremely well attended with 34 tables!! Our goal for this event was to teach our newer players how to play Swiss teams. We hope our goal was achieved and that some of these newer players will play Swiss this Saturday. A special thanks goes to **Theresa Federico** and **Kathy Plauche** for their assistance with running this event and to all of our **Mentors** who helped us to achieve our goal!

We are hosting the Dottie Toledano Sectional tournament on Thursday, Friday & Saturday. Contact Debbie Skorlich, the partnership chair, at 504-453-0804 if you need help finding a partner. Silver points will be awarded. We will have many Upgraded Club Championships as ACBL has decided not to let us roll them over into 2024 as they have the past 3 years. Enjoy these triple point games. Baton Rouge is also hosting a Sectional November 16-18. We hope you will support their tournaments as we hope they will support ours. The NABC Atlanta begins on Thanksgiving Day and runs for the week and a half. Good luck to those attending.

Our online club continues to help fund our club's many events. When playing online, please try to play in our LBA/LBC/ET AL Virtual Club. These are the only games that our club receives money from. There is an online Regional December 19-22. LBA doesn't receive benefits from these games, but you can earn gold points. Good luck to all!

Sherrie Goodman

LOTS OF FUN AT THE JOHN ONSTOTT 1/N SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT



MORE TOURNAMENT PARTICIPANTS



NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

At The Club

Nov. 2-4: Dottie Toledano Sectional Tournament

Nov. 17, 10am: Free lesson - Roman Key Card Blackwood
Instructor-Linda Freeze

At The Virtual Club

Dec. 19-22: ACBL Regional Tournament

Other

Nov. 16-18: Baton Rouge Sectional Tournament

Nov. 23-Dec.3: NABC Atlanta

THE CLUB WAS FILLED WITH LAUGHTER (Pics by Phil Luchsinger)



NEWS

WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

Henriette Harris

NEW DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE

Many thanks to Keenan Romig for updating the membership directory. Pick up a hard copy at the club for \$5.00. You may also email her for a copy of the pdf file for your computer at keenanromig@bellsouth.net Put "Directory" as the subject.

In Memoriam



Jesse Smallwood

In Memoriam



Price Crane

In Memoriam



Joan Van Geffen

ACHIEVEMENTS

RANK ADVANCEMENTS

Junior Master: Celie Clark, Eric Holden, John Hurley, Mary Morgan, Trelah Nagy,
Raphael Velazquez

Club Master: Ellis Murov and Barbara Stott

Sectional Master: Yvonne Hunter

Regional Master: Cliff Williams and Kay Williams

NABC Master: Leslie Nolan

Advanced NAB Master: Matti Hietalahti and Mike Russell

Life Master: Diana Powell and Janice Zazulak

Bronze Life Master: Diana Powell and Janice Zazulak

Silver Life Master: Marie Hughes, Kathy Plauche, and Janice Zazulak

Ruby Life Master: Audrey Cerise

ACHIEVEMENTS

**LIFE MASTER &
BRONZE LIFE MASTER**



Diana Powell

**LIFE MASTER,
BRONZE LIFE MASTER &
SILVER LIFE MASTER**



Janice Zazulak

SILVER LIFE MASTER



Kathy Plauche

RUBY LIFE MASTER



Audrey Cerise

70 % GAMES September 26 - October 25

9/25 Open Club	John and Larry Federico	77.08%
9/28 Circle Club	Janet Genusa, Diana Casey	70.67%
10/2 Open Club	John Federico, Judy Katz	73.81%
10/7 Open	Doug DeMontlezon, Carl Merlin	73.98%
10/12 0-20 Club	Faye Thomas, Connie Rogers	71.29%