

# What's Trumps?



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THE BRIDGE CENTER

December 2016-January 2017

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## STAC GAMES

More Sectional Tournament at Club games coming in January. Don't forget these games are for Silver points, and you don't need to leave home to win them. The games will be held the on **Tuesday, January 10-Friday, January 13 morning games**. The cost is \$10.00. Line up your partners now.

## GRAND NATIONAL TEAM GAMES

It is time for the qualification rounds of the GNT. The winners will represent the District in the national finals. Be sure you qualify. There are lots of points to win, red and black, even if you only play in the local games. There are 4 FLIGHTS: OPEN: all players, FLIGHT A: 0-6000 points, FLIGHT B: 0-2500 points, and FLIGHT C: Non Life Masters with less than 500 points. The entry fee is \$9.00 per person. Here are the dates: **Monday night, December 12; Monday night, December 19; Friday night, December 23 BRACKETS B AND C ONLY; Monday night, December 26. In January the dates are Monday night, January 9; Saturday, January 14 12:30 for FLIGHTS B AND C ONLY; and Monday night, January 23.** NOTE: For those who qualify to go on in FLIGHT A (0-6000), YOU MUST PRE REGISTER BY JANUARY 19.

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## LIFE MASTER PARTY

Don't forget our special game and party for all the new Life Masters on **Saturday, December 3**. Contact Mimi at 303-9993 if you are a new LM and will be able to come celebrate.

## TROPHY GAMES

The **Irene Klinchock Mixed Master Trophy** will go home with the winners on **Thursday night, December 15**. Last year's winners were **Jane Riddle and Helen Moran**. In January we will play another **Mixed Master Trophy** game on Tuesday morning, **January 17**.

## CLUB TOURNAMENTS

Tuesday, December 20 (AM)      Thursday, January 12 (PM)  
Wednesday, January 18 (AM)

## PLAYERS OF THE MONTH

### July

1. Donnie Walsh 15.41
2. Laura Schooley 12.94
3. Francis Terminella 12.06
4. Tom Kasvin 11.18
5. Gaye Nelson 8.22

### August

1. Donnie Walsh 13.16
2. Patti Martin 11.86
3. Mike Fine 10.61
4. Ginny Flannagan 10.50
5. Susan MacLaughlin 10.08
6. Ed Lozito 7.48
7. Tommy Thompson 7.46

## HIGH % GAME

In September the high percentage game was played by **Marc Warner and Dewayne Jones** with a 72.99% game. The high % game for October was 70.63% played by **Edie Ring and John Kloke**. Great job!

## BEST WISHES FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The Bridge Center Board of Directors and all the game Directors want to wish all our players a wonderful holiday season. We hope everyone has a healthy and happy 2017.

## RBA NEWS by Barry Fratkin

Ring out the old and bring in the new with our favorite past time – Bridge.

There are two RBA events in December. First, we will have our annual **Christmas Mother Game, Saturday, December 10 at the Clarion**. Join us for lunch at noon and then bridge at 1:00 p.m. We will be making our contribution to the Christmas Mother Fund. Last year we gave a record \$3,000!!

Then, we will have our usual second Wednesday night game (two chances to win, pair and BAM) on **December 14** at the Bridge Center.

In January we will have our **Winter Sectional, Friday – Sunday, January 20-22 at the Clarion**. Our January tournament is usually our biggest, so make plans now to play and get partners for the Sunday Swiss. Hopefully, we won't have a repeat of last year's weather that cancelled the tournament.

RBA players traveled to Norfolk in large numbers for the November Regional and returned with loads of points. Heading the master point list were **Marc Warner and Dewayne Jones, each earning 52.21 points**. Close behind were **Patti Martin (42.70) and Mark Dahl (42.31)**. Getting more than 30 points were **Jean Oakey (39.94), Bill Belanich (39.32) and Harry Gellis (33.48)**. The more than 20 group included **Nitin Shah (26.05), Francis Terminella (26.05), Lou Einwick (26.05), Tom Kasvin (25.76), Mary Baril (25.76), Winnie Fratkin (22.65), Barry Fratkin (22.65), Liz Fletcher (22.65), Bruce Fletcher (22.65), Nancy Golden (21.54), Darlene Selz (20.88), and Bryan Selz (20.88)**. The complete list of results and master point winners can be found on the ACBL website.

**Tom Kasvin and Mary Baril**, winning all three events in which they played, turned in a rare Bridge Hat Trick. Teaming with Drew and Carolyn Wilson of Martinsville, VA, the foursome won a Knockout, Compact Knockout and their flight of the Bracketed Swiss.

Congratulations to everyone for representing Unit 109 so well.

