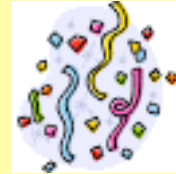




January 2005

# BIG ISLAND BRIDGE

# Happy New Year 2005



## Upcoming Bridge Special Events

### January Event Schedule

January 9, 2005     Unit 20 Championship Games  
January 17-21, 2005:     Club Membership Games

**January 10-16, 2005:**     **Honolulu Regional  
Prince Hotel**

### February Event Schedule

February 1-4, 2005     Jr. Fund Games  
February 7-11, 2005:     Jr. Fund Games  
**February 11-13, 2005:**     **Maui Sectional  
Kihei, Maui**  
February 13, 2005:     Unit 20 Jr. Fund Games  
February 14-20, 2005:     Jr. Fund Games  
February 21-24, 2005:     Jr. Fund Games  
**February 25-27, 2005:**     **Big Island Sectional  
The Bridge Building  
Kailua Kona**  
February 28, 2005     ACBL-wide Senior Pairs

## Player News and Mahalos

**Mahalo to our Committee Members** and their efforts in making our bridge club a friendly, well run, and professional ACBL bridge club.

**Bobbie Devlin** is recovering from a fall and broken shoulder blade. We miss her at the bridge center and hope she will soon be able to return to table 4.

**Margot Skilling** awoke Sunday morning, December 12, with chess pains and was later Medi-Vac transported to Honolulu for an Angioplasty and hospital care. Margot was accompanied to Honolulu with her daughter and housekeeper. Margot is back home and has returned to the bridge table.

**Marian Durant** fell from her tractor when mowing her property and suffered a compound fracture in her ankle and injuries to her head. Fortunately she had her cellular phone with her and called **Gerry Bushman**. Gerry called 911 and **Stuart Vance**, who went to find her and give her and the emergency team assistance.

**Blaine Thomas** is recovering from hospitalization for a bleeding ulcer. He is now home and doing nicely. He had to cancel his plans to visit Hawaii in January - February. Maybe he will be able to come later in the year.

**Joanne and Chuck Clark** will be leaving on January 22 for a medical trip to the mainland and will be gone a month. Joanne reports, "I am feeling better, but will have a bone marrow transplant when I go back." We wish Joanne success with the procedure and look forward to having her join the bridge club games.

## Walt's Corner

by Walt Sturm

Walt is taking a rest this month from his bridge column.

## President's Corner

by Joanne Clark

The Easybridge group consists of a solid two tables and will be able to play with our Novice group. They have been very stalwart and we thank **Stuart Vance** for doing such a great job with that group.

Swiss Teams should be a lot easier this year at the sectional for most of our members since **Liz Holey** has organized Swiss Team events throughout the last few months. A lot of people have voiced their enthusiasm for them so we will continue to have at least one game a month that is Swiss Teams.

We are striving to make our bridge club more interesting and enjoyable. With that in mind, please give us your ideas about special games or social events.

**Have a Happy, Healthy, and Joyous 2005.**  
**Joanne**

## Director's Corner

by Audrey Mitchell

### Table Talk: Auction Speak

Several players have mentioned that there have been improper statements made by players during a game's auction. Such audible comments in the midst of an auction that have been made were:

"I did not open the bidding. I was passed hand" where a player made the comment to the partner during the auction. Any such comment is improper.

"That is Controls" or "That is Steps" or "Waiting" following a 2 club opening bid. The correct action by the bidding partner is "Alert"

Any audible description to a bid that is alertable can only be provided when the bidding opponent requests the explanation. Often, the opponent is not interested in an explanation until after the auction is completed. One reason not to request an explanation of an alert during the auction is to prevent disclosure of any bidding errors. An alert description announces an interpretation of the bid. If the interpretation is in error, the bidder may adjust subsequent bidding based on the incorrect bid interpretation.

## December's Winner's Circle

<p>Dec 2 NS 1st Bozena Babbitt - Phyllis Hann            NS 2nd Ed Harrs - Richard Buffington            EW 1st Peter Golitzen - Ruth Ann Larson            EW 2nd Audrey Mitchell - Gerald Mitchell</p> <p>Dec 3 NS 1st James Mills Jr - L Stuart Vance            NS 2nd Bette Buckingham - Audrey Mitchell            EW 1st Bjorg Johnson - Sharon Bolton            EW 2nd Marion Durant - Carol Richards</p> <p>Dec 6 NS 1st Ruth Ann Larson - James Mills Jr            NS 2nd Phyllis Hann - Carol Richards            EW 1st Shelly Hershberger - Douglas Troxel            EW 2nd Walter Sturm - Allan Young</p> <p>Dec 7 NS tied L Stuart Vance - Peter Golitzen            1st            NS tied 1st Sharon Bolton - Marion Durant            EW 1st Walter Sturm - Richard Gittleman            EW 2nd Ross Larson - Ruth Ann Larson</p> <p>Dec 9 NS 1st Dean Jenkins - Richard Gittleman            NS 2nd L Stuart Vance - Peter Golitzen            EW 1st Mary Dee Overton - Douglas Troxel            EW 2nd Liz Holey - Lloyd Shoemaker</p> <p>Dec 10 NS 1st Kathy Golitzen - Margot Skilling            NS 2nd L Stuart Vance - Peter Golitzen            EW 1st Shelly Hershberger - Dean Jenkins            EW 2nd Phyllis Edwards - Deanne Barkley</p> <p>Dec 13 OV 1st Geraldine Bushman - Bozena Babbitt            OV 2nd Deanne Barkley - Sharon Bolton            OV 3rd Wesley Hofer - Phyllis Hann            OV 4th Dean Jenkins - Audrey Mitchell</p> <p>Dec 14 OV 1st Wesley Hofer - Phyllis Hann            OV 2nd Ed Harrs - Shirley Decker            OV 3rd Bozena Babbitt - Geraldine Bushman            OV 4th Jared Shaw - Lois Martin</p> <p>Dec 16 OV 1st Sharon Bolton - Deanne Barkley            OV 2nd Susan Lee - Walter Sturm            OV 3rd Colleen Lee - Samuel Lee            OV 4th Bozena Babbitt - Claudia Barton</p> <p>Dec 17 OV 1st Joseph Goforth - Richard Gittleman            OV 2nd Susan Lee - Walter Sturm</p>	<p>OV 3rd Bozena Babbitt - Geraldine Bushman            OV 4th Ron Perry - Mary Kay Perry</p> <p>Dec 20 Team Bette Buckingham - Wesley Hofer - Phyllis Hann - Carol Richards            1st            Team 2nd Dean Jenkins - Richard Gittleman - Walter Sturm - Allan Young</p> <p>Dec 21 NS 1st Dean Jenkins - Douglas Troxel            NS 2nd Bozena Babbitt - Sharon Bolton            EW 1st Ed Harrs - Shirley Decker            EW 2nd Jared Shaw - Lois Martin</p> <p>Dec 23 NS 1st Dean Jenkins - Richard Gittleman            NS 2nd Ed Harrs - Richard Buffington            EW 1st Rab Puri - Mary Biedenkapp            EW 2nd Lillian Bailey - Robert Bailey</p> <p>Dec 24 NS 1st Phyllis Hann - Phyllis Edwards            NS 2nd Dean Jenkins - Shelly Hershberger            EW 1st Robert Eddy - Shirley Decker            EW 2nd Mary Kay Perry - Ron Perry</p> <p>Dec 27 NS 1st Dean Jenkins - Richard Gittleman            NS 2nd Shirley Decker - Ed Harrs            EW 1st Ruth Ann Larson - Mary Biedenkamp            EW 2nd Louis Malensky - Richard Woloschuk</p> <p>Dec 28 OV 1st Shirley Decker - Ed Harrs            OV 2nd Deanne Barkley - Shelly Hershberger            OV 3rd Peter Golitzen - L Stuart Vance            OV 4th Liz Holey - JoAn Hill</p> <p>Dec 30 OV 1st Dean Jenkins - Richard Gittleman            OV 2nd Walter Sturm - Susan Lee            OV 3rd Rab Puri - Mary Biedenkapp            OV 4th Lillian Bailey - Robert Bailey</p> <p>Dec 31 NS 1st Bozena Babbitt - Sharon Bolton            NS 2nd Donald Little - Susan Little            EW 1st Wesley Hofer - Mary Biedenkamp            EW 2nd Paul Rosen - Carol Richards</p>
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## Bridge Club Information

### ACBL District Structure

District 20: Western Conference, Hawaii, Washington, Oregon and Nevada.

Unit 469: All Big Island Clubs

Local Clubs: Kona, Waikoloa, Hilo

### Kona Bridge Club Officers

President:	Joanne Clark
Vice President:	Walt Sturm
Secretary:	Shirley Decker
Manager/Treasurer:	Liz Holey
Member-at-Large:	Ed Harrs
Member-at-Large:	Audrey Mitchell
Member-at-Large:	Stuart Vance

### Kona Directors

Joanne Clark	325-0404
Liz Holey	326-7787
Ruth Ann Larson	326-3252
Audrey Mitchell	329-7283
Dee Overton	883-9527
Rab Puri	327-9373
Stuart Vance	325-6133

### Waikoloa Directors

Dee Overton	883-9527
Salli Beitinger	883-9517

All Kona Bridge Club games are held in our The Bridge Building on the Hualalai Academy school campus at 74-4966 Kealaka'a Street, Kailua-Kona, HI 96740. All Waikoloa Club games are held in Waikoloa Golf Course Club room. The schedule of weekly ACBL sanctioned duplicate bridge games is:

<b>Monday:</b>	<b>12:45 pm (Waikoloa Club)</b>
<b>Monday:</b>	<b>1:00 pm (Kona Club)</b>
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>7:00 pm (Kona Club)</b>
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>1:00 pm (Kona Club)</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>1:00 pm (Kona Club)</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>12:45 pm (Waikoloa Club)</b>

The monthly Unit 469 game is held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in The Bridge Building in Kona.

The bridge clubs have adopted the Zero Tolerance Policy recommended by ACBL.

### <http://konabridge.tripod.com>

Visit our bridge web site to get the results of all Kona Bridge Club and Waikoloa Bridge Club games, bridge game schedules, a file cabinet of Big Island Bridge Newsletters, and the Big Island Sectional flyer.