



BIG ISLAND BRIDGE

Upcoming Bridge Special Events

April Event Schedule

Kona Bridge Club

April 1-8, 2005:	Club Charity
April 10, 2005:	Unit Charity
April 11-15, 2005:	Club Charity
April 18-22, 2005:	Club Charity
April 25-29, 2005:	Club Charity

Waikoloa Bridge Club

April 4, 2005	Charity Club Championship
April 8, 2005	Charity Club Championship
April 11, 2005	Club Championship
April 15, 2005	Club Championship
April 25, 2005	Local Charity Club Championship
April 29, 2005	Local Charity Club Championship

May Event Schedule

Kona Bridge Club

May 2-7, 2005:	STaC games
May 8, 2005:	Unit STaC games

Waikoloa Bridge Club

May 11, 2005	ACBL Wide International Fund
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Player News and Mahalos

The **Kona Bridge Club** board consisting of the Kona Bridge club officers, the committee members, members at large including the directors, and the Unit 469 liason met after the regular bridge game on Thursday March 24, 2005. The meeting lasted over an hour. Joanne Clark presided over the meeting. It was good to see her back in the Bridge Building. The minutes from the meeting will be posted on a bulletin board after approval from the board officers.

Mahalo to all who help at every club game with game set-up, replacing chairs and tables, and room and kitchen clean-up.

Many of our members have been recovering from medical treatments and accidents. We have missed them from the bridge games during their recovery. We are glad to see those who have returned to the bridge table.

Blaine Thomas has been recovering after a long year of medical treatment at the hospital and recovery at a nursing home. He will be

visiting in Kailua Kona in April. We will be happy to see him soon.

Joanne Clark has completed her month-long medical treatment on the mainland and is recovering at her home here on the Big Island. Chuck is holding up very well from his acquired chores and care-giving support to Joanne.

Marion Durant is back at her home on the Big Island. She is recovering very well and we hope to see her at the bridge table. She has been missed!

Margo Skilling is back from an Angioplasty procedure following a recent heart attack and is back at the bridge table.

Raymond Howard had a heart attack in December and is now back playing bridge after an Angioplasty procedure with stent implantation.

Jack Buchanan underwent back surgery on March 26 and came home to recoup on Monday March 27. He's made some sort of speed record

getting in and out of the hospital that quickly. He is doing well and recovering nicely. He reports that **Will Williams** is a great caregiver.

Ed Harrs suffered a heart attack and made a speedy recovery and is back at the bridge table. Welcome back, Ed!

Marlene Sabo is having operations done on her wrist similar to the one performed on her other wrist. We hope she has a quick recovery and full use of both wrists very soon.

Kathy Golitzen will be giving Intermediate Bridge Lessons on Fridays starting at 11:30AM at The Bridge Building. Her first session on Roman Key Card convention will be April 1, 2005. We look forward to many sessions from **Kathy**.

A bag for collecting non-perishable food to be donated to the Hawaii Foodbank will be provided at The Bridge Building. Hawaii county food drive

2005 Goals are to collect \$50,000 and 50,000 lbs of food from March 1, 2005 to April 30, 2005. The bridge club food drive will be on April 15. The club will also donate \$50 to the Foodbank. For information about the Hawaii Foodbank, visit their web site at: <http://www.hawaiifoodbank.org>.

Need a bridge partner for a future game? Partnership sign-up sheets are provided in The Bridge Building for those seeking partners.

Please arrive to the bridge games prior to 15 minutes before game time. The game movement and table setups depend on the number of pairs that are attending the game. With last minute arrivals, the game setup and movements may cause considerable disruption to the setup. If serious changes are warranted, late players arriving after game has started could be regrettably turned away.

Walt's Corner by Walt Sturm

The Multi 2D Opening

Read no further if you prefer a simplistic, natural bidding style. However if you might be interested in learning and/or adopting an elaborate convention which allows you to describe a greater variety of hands, read on. The Multi (-purpose) 2D opening bid encompasses several different hand types according to your partnership agreements. This is an internationally popular convention which only lately has arrived in the U.S.

The cornerstone of the several versions extant of the Multi 2D opening bid is that it may be a weak 2 opener in either major suit. A weak responder merely bids 2H Waiting and opener either passes with hearts or corrects to 2S, as apropos. Holding a sound opening, responder has other options such as NT or an artificial 2S bid with an unbalanced hand.

Other possibilities may include a 2NT rebid in the 18-19 HCP range. This option may appeal to you if you have ever been dropped in a Short Club. Another option is the strong Roman 2D, any 4-4-4-1 hand in the 17-23 HCP range which is difficult to bid in S.A., especially if you use 5-card majors. Whichever additional options you may choose is

obviously a subject of partnership discussion and agreement.

Having adopted the Multi 2D, you now must redefine the 2H and 2S openings. I use 2H as Flannery, showing four spades and five+ hearts in a limited hand of 11-15 HCP. I use the Schenken 2S opening bid as a two-way Unusual NT, i.e., 5-5 in the minors, either weak or strong. You may use whatever you like except Weak 2's in the majors.

The best defense against the multi 2D is usually to merely wait and listen to them as they must tell you what they have.

As usually, pre-empts may succeed as against any artificial opening. You also need to discuss the meanings of a double over 2D and a 3D overcall.

President's Message by Joanne Clark

Perspective is the one thing that only time will give you. I have certainly had enough time these past few months to muse on the state of the Kona Bridge Club and it looks to me like we have a very healthy club. We do, however, need to be always on the look out for any divisive activities that may be simmering.

With that said, on the positive side we have a club that is actively recruiting and welcoming new members. We all need to thank Liz for the recruitment and all of you for your welcoming

spirit. New folks feel much more comfortable in a friendly atmosphere that exudes aloha.

We are actively giving lessons and mini-sessions to novices. This has been largely due to Stuart's efforts. Liz is offering mentoring sessions for the intermediate player. In the fall we will offer Easybridge again. Everyone has responded favorably to these activities, new and old alike. Education should be one of our strongest characteristics. I think that most will agree with this

Even though the tournament is a unit sponsored event, the recent tournament showed that we can all work together as a TEAM and that is one of the most important characteristic of any successful club. We need everyone to participate harmoniously in the successful running of the club.

Our primary function as a duplicate club, that is

playing duplicate bridge, has also expanded and we now have many special games allowing everyone a chance to get silver points on the club level, even a gold point or two has been thrown in this past year. Our introduction to Swiss teams has been a wonderful success. We had 23 Swiss Teams this year at the tournament. That is just phenomenal.

So we are actively recruiting new members, trying to educate those that are novices and intermediate players, capable of working as a team, and expanding our horizons as a duplicate club.

All in all, I think that we have a wonderfully active, vibrant and HEALTHY Club. Let's keep it that way.

Joanne Clark

March's Winner's Circle: Waikoloa Bridge Club

Mar 4 OV 1st Russell Kirby - Marilyn McNamee
 OV 2nd Yvonne White - Mary Dee Overton
 OV 3rd Gene Brannan - Annabelle Shallenberger
 OV 4th Gerald Mitchell - Carol Davies
 Mar 7 NS 1st Richard Gittleman - Mary Dee Overton
 NS 2nd Marilyn McNamee - Russell Kirby
 EW 1st Mike Kimball - Louise Reilly
 EW 2nd Mac Morris - Millie Morris
 Mar 9 NS 1st Ben Hokomoto - Christine Bingham
 NS 2nd Gene Brannan - Colette Pirie
 EW 1st Carol Davies - Audrey Mitchell
 EW 2nd Carol Wilson - Mildred Jones
 Mar 11 OV 1st D. Bill Calvert - M.A.(Tinka) Calvert
 OV 2nd Joan Shepherd - Annabelle Shallenberger
 OV 3rd Carol Davies - Gerald Mitchell
 Mar 14 OV 1st Gene Brannan - Shirley Clark
 OV 2nd Louise Reilly - Colette Cobb
 OV 3rd Richard Gittleman - Mary Dee Overton
 OV 4th Robert Eddy - Annabelle Shallenberger
 Mar 18 OV 1st Gene Brannan - Annabelle Shallenberger

OV 2nd Shirley Clark - Diann Smith
 OV 3rd Carol Davies - Gerald Mitchell
 OV 4th tied Mac Morris - Millie Morris
 OV 4th tied D. Bill Calvert - M.A.(Tinka) Calvert
 Mar 21 OV 1st Mary Dee Overton - Richard Gittleman
 OV 2nd Diane Gibson - James Gibson
 OV 3rd Russell Kirby - Marilyn McNamee
 OV 4th Raymond Howard - Connie Wilson
 Mar 23 OV 1st Jo Wilkenson - Terry Cole
 OV 2nd Marilyn McNamee - Russell Kirby
 OV 3rd Mary Dee Overton - Colette Pirie
 Ov 4th Sharon Bolton - Shirley Decker
 Mar 25 OV 1st Carol Wilson - Harvey Gates
 OV 2nd Jo Wilkenson - Terry Cole
 OV 3rd Gerald Mitchell - Carol Davies
 OV 4th Mac Morris - Millie Morris
 Mar 28 OV 1st Mary Dee Overton - Richard Gittleman
 OV 2nd Robert Eddy - Annabelle Shallenberger
 OV 3rd tied Russell Kirby - Marilyn McNamee
 OV 3rd tied Mildred Jones - Elizabeth Heller

March's Winner's Circle: Kona Bridge Club

Mar 1 OV 1st Kathy Golitzen - Peter Golitzen
 OV 2nd Ernie Husil - Anne Husil
 OV 3rd Geraldine Bushman - Bozena Babbitt
 OV 4th Lloyd Shoemaker - Peggy Spencer
 Mar 3 NS 1st Audrey Mitchell - Gerald Mitchell
 NS 2nd Dean Jenkins - Richard Gittelman
 EW 1st Geraldine Bushman - Bjorg Johnson
 EW 2nd Wesley Hofer - Barbara Eichelbarger
 Mar 4 NS 1st Liz Holey - Dorothy Harrison
 NS 2nd Wesley Hofer - Shirley Decker
 EW 1st Peter Golitzen - Ernie Hirsch
 EW 2nd Deanne Barkley - Sharon Bolton
 Mar 7 OV 1st Wesley Hofer - Peter Golitzen
 OV 2nd Phyllis Hann - Carol Richards

OV 3rd Ruth Ann Larson - Liz Holey
 OV 4th Marilyn Bass - Paul Rosen
 Mar 8 OV 1st Kathy Golitzen - Audrey Mitchell
 OV 2nd Wesley Hofer - Sharon Bolton
 OV 3rd Peter Golitzen - L Stuart Vance
 Mar 10 OV 1st Walter Sturm - Susan Lee
 OV 2nd Audrey Mitchell - Aileen Newman
 OV 3rd Joseph Goforth - Richard Gittelman
 OV 4th Ed Hars - Shirley Decker
 Novice Mar 10OV 1st Randy Wicks - Paulette Trippler
 OV 2nd Diann Smith - JoAnne Banta
 OV 3rd Gail Mullen - Lynn Puri
 Mar 11 OV 1st Ruth Ann Larson - Kathy Golitzen
 OV 2nd Wesley Hofer - Deanne Barkley
 OV 3rd Bette Buckingham - Audrey Mitchell

OV 4th	Richard Gittelman - Joseph Goforth
Mar 13 OV 1st	Carol Davies - Audrey Mitchell
OV 2nd	Shelly Hershberger - Carol Richards
OV 3rd	Richard Gittelman - Walter Sturm
OV 4th	Liz Holey - Marlene Sabo
Mar 14 NS 1st	Ruth Ann Larson - Shelly Hershberger
NS 2nd	Wesley Hofer - Audrey Mitchell
EW 1st	Allan Young - Walter Sturm
EW 2nd	Marilynn Bass - Shirley Decker
Mar 15 OV 1st	Ruth Ann Larson - Kathy Golitzen
OV 2nd	Phyllis Hann - Liz Holey
OV 3rd	Bozena Babbitt - Geraldine Bushman
OV 4th	Douglas Troxel - Dean Jenkins
Mar 17 NS 1st	Bette Buckingham - Aileen Newman
NS 2nd	Bozena Babbitt - Claudia Barton
EW 1st	Peter Golitzen - Ruth Ann Larson
EW 2nd	Kathy Golitzen - Liz Holey
Mar 18 NS 1st	Bette Buckingham - Bjorg Johnson
NS 2nd	Bozena Babbitt - Geraldine Bushman
EW 1st	Susan Lee - Walter Sturm
EW 2nd	Ruth Ann Larson - Jonathan Grayson
Mar 21 OV 1st	Allan Young - Walter Sturm
OV 2nd	Claudia Barton - Audrey Mitchell
OV 3rd	Sharon Bolton - Phyllis Edwards
OV 4 th tied	Lloyd Shoemaker - Dorothy Harrison
OV 4 th tied	Wesley Hofer - Shirley Decker
Mar 22 OV 1st tied	Shelly Hershberger - Deanne Barkley
OV 1st tied	Douglas Troxel - Dean Jenkins

OV 3rd	Wesley Hofer - Phyllis Hann
OV 4th	Ed Harrs - Shirley Decker
Mar 24 OV 1st	Peter Golitzen - L Stuart Vance
OV 2nd	Jared Shaw - Lois Martin
OV 3rd	Walter Sturm - Susan Lee
OV 4th	Ruth Ann Larson - Carol Richards
Novice Mar 24 NS 1st	George Leishman - Linda Brown
NS 2nd	JoAnne Banta - Diann Smith
EW 1st	Carol Gilsdorf - Dick Gilsdorf
Mar 25 OV 1st	Wes Hofer - Peter Golitzen
OV 2nd	Lillian Bailey - Aileen Newman
OV 3rd	L Stuart Vance - DeeOverton
OV 4th	Bertie Bialek/Smith
Mar 28 NS 1st	Phyllis Hann - Liz Holey
NS 2nd	L Stuart Vance - James Mills Jr
EW 1st	Walter Sturm - Allan Young
EW 2nd	Phyllis Edwards - Sharon Bolton
Mar 29 NS 1st	Bozena Babbitt - Geraldine Bushman
NS 2nd	Deanne Barkley - Shelly Hershberger
EW 1st	Ed Harrs - Shirley Decker
EW 2nd	L Stuart Vance - Peter Golitzen
Mar 31 NS 1st	Douglas Troxel - Bertie Bialek
NS 2nd	Dean Jenkins - Richard Gittelman
EW 1st	Walter Sturm - Susan Lee
EW 2nd	Peter Golitzen - Wesley Hofer

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:	Stuart Vance

Kona Directors

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

Waikoloa Directors

Salli Beitinger	883-9517
Dee Overton	883-9527
Annarie Shallenberger	882-7876

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, phone number 329 8785. All Waikoloa Club games are held in Waikoloa Golf Course Club room.

The schedule of weekly ACBL sanctioned duplicate bridge games is:

Monday:	1:00 pm (Kona Club)
Tuesday:	7:00 pm (Kona Club)
Thursday:	1:00 pm (Kona Club)
Friday	1:00 pm (Kona Club)

Monday:	12:45 pm (Waikoloa Club)
Friday	12:45 pm (Waikoloa Club)

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.

Zero Tolerance

The bridge clubs have adopted the Zero Tolerance Policy recommended by ACBL. It strives to promote a friendly atmosphere at the bridge table, while eliminating unacceptable behavior, including rudeness, intimidation, gloating, profanity, and other offenses. Player penalties are part of the program. If you feel an infraction of Zero Tolerance policies has occurred at your table, immediately call the game director.

<http://konabridge.tripod.com>

Visit our club's web site to get the results of all Kona Bridge Club and Waikoloa Bridge Club games, bridge game schedules.

Donations:

All donations are gratefully accepted! Remember that because of our 501(c)(3) tax status, all donations are tax deductible!

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