

**RED DEER BRIDGE CLUB
MAY 2017 NEWSLETTER**

Get ready for Sectional

Get your pairs and teams together now for the Spring Sectional from May 5-7 at the Club. "We are looking forward to see a lot of you at the bridge table even for one session," said Unit 248 President Liz.

The program includes the Thursday evening Unit game, stratified pairs in single sessions Friday at 1 and 7 p.m., two sessions of stratified open pairs Saturday at 10:30 a.m and 3:30 p.m., and stratified Swiss teams Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and in the afternoon. All strats are averages: A 1,000+, B 300-1,000, and C 0-300.

An optional sandwich lunch is available for \$5 between sessions on Sunday. There will be free snacks and coffee and an honour bar.

A separate 499er session is available if at least five tables are pre-registered or phoned/emailed to the Club.

The normal Monday evening session will not be held May 8.

Gerene returns as president

Gerene has begun another two-year term as our club's president. She was re-elected by acclamation at the Annual General Meeting in April.

The board will also welcome Rick as our new vice-president; he was president in 1980-81. Darlene was re-elected as director and will be joined by John C. in that capacity. All elections were by acclamation. They join Annabelle, Ellen, Jim H., Glenn and Gary on the board of directors.

John also volunteered to look into the problem of temperature control at the Club. Members often complain about being cold in part of the room.

A report indicated that the club had 1,953.5 tables of participants in 2016-17. The five-year average is 1,960.6; 10-year average is 1,832.6.

At the Unit 248 AGM, Jackie was elected as secretary by acclamation. She joins on the board: president Liz, vice- president Adam, treasurer Donna and director Andrea.

Adam presented Ace of Clubs and Mini McKenney awards for 2016 in several masterpoint ranges. In some cases, both awards went to the same people: Dan 0-50, Bonnie H. 5-20, Sincere 100-200, Glenn 2,500-3,500, Robert 3,500-5,000.

Other winners were: Carol and Gloria 20-50, Jane and Grant 50-100, Doreen and Mary A. 200-300, Myrna and Annabelle 300-500, Phil B. and Adam 500-1,000, Ruth and Ed 1,000-1,500, Marlene and Laurie 1,500-2,500.

With nine tables competing in the afternoon session, Laurie and Robert led with 70.37%. Ruth and Mary A. followed with 62.73. Four pairs scored over 60% in the seven-table evening session: Nancy and Doug C. 63.69, Gerene and Adam 63.39, Cindy and Glenn 62.2, Marlene and Charlie R. 60.12.

Roving Reporter

Congratulations to four of our members for placing in the top half of the 966 who earned masterpoints in the April Regional in Victoria, B.C. Bonnie R. and David returned with 8.22 while Rita and Larry P. earned 7.38.

The Silver Life Master party for the Crones, scheduled for May 20, has been postponed.

Gerene was honoured on Page 68 of the April ACBL Bulletin for achieving her Bronze Life Master.

Big games in April

Ian and Robert posted the biggest of the big games with 78.47—just two days after their 61.48. Robert also had double wins with Lorna at 64.81 and 63.7.

Jerry and Wilf had three big scores: 66.07, 65.63 and 60.11. Other double winners were Mary M. and Lorna with 63.46 and 61.61.

Other big scores:

Laurie and Robert	67.86	Lorna and John M.	60.0
Franco and Gary	67.92	Debbie and Bonnie H.	61.91
Donna and John C.	61.25	Sheryl and Nancy C.	60.37
Debbie and Joan	60.11	Ruth and Adam	62.2
Maureen and Don	60.72	Gloria and Dinu	60.94
Pat Y. and Doreen	61.31	Mike and Charlie L.	63.19
John C. and Ahmed	65.77	Gerda and Phil B.	68.75
Larry and David	67.13	Doug C. and Dean	62.5
Rick and Robert	62.5		