

CAPE MAY COUNTY DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

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The Bold and The Beautiful

High Scorers:

- April. Bruce Gorman and Bill Haas, 72.92%
- May. Bruce Gorman and Steve Horwitz, 70%
- June. Bill Haas and Steve Horwitz, 66.5%
- July. Dave Cohan and Ron Small, 70.19%
- Aug. Bill Haas and Ron Small, 70%
- Sept. Bill Haas and Ron Small, 71.30%
- Oct. David and Karen Hoffner, 70.04%
- Nov. Bruce Gorman and Bill Haas, 71.88%
- Dec. Karen Sylvester and Bob Sylvia, 65.83%
- Jan. Karen Sylvester and Bob Sylvia, 66.80%
- Feb. David and Karen Hoffner, 70.83%
- Mar. Bill Haas and Steve Horwitz, 72.62%

Dates to Remember:

- April 3, 11 and 2: Charity Club Championship Games
- April 13: Easter Party/Board Meeting
- April 27: Club Championship
- May 9: Club Championship
- May 11: Mother's Day Game
- May 4 and 15: Grass Roots Fund Games
- May 25: NABC Promotional Game
- June 4: Country Club Luncheon
- June 13, 22, and 26: NAP Games
- June 15: Father's Day Game
- July 13 and 31: NAP Games
- July 14: Board Meeting
- July 11: ACBL Wide Int. Fund Game
- August 7, 15 and 17: NAP Games
- August 28 and 31: STAC Games
- September 4, 12 and 21: Club Championships
- September 14 and 18: International Fund Games
- October 10, 12 and 23: Club Appreciation Games
- October 12: Board Meeting
- October 26: Halloween Game
- November 14 and 30: Club Championships
- December 4 and 7: STAC Games
- December 18: Club Championship
- December 4: Annual Christmas Party

The first Thursday of each month is designated as our Birthday Party for the month.

All dates subject to change.

Food Bank Days

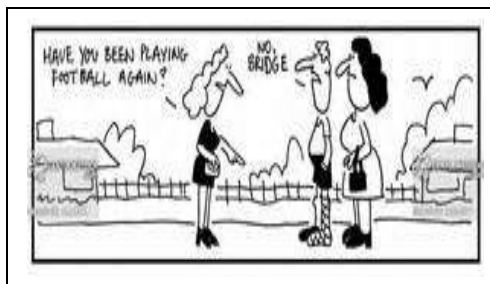
Bring 2 cans of food and receive \$1 off your game entry:

- April 20
 May 25
 June 29
 July 20
 August 24
 September 28
 October 19
 November 16
 December 14

2016 Attendance Winners:

Sandy Burns	(tie)	96
Karen Sylvester	(tie)	96
Bob Sylvia		90
Baby Vistenzo		88
Bob Shewood	(tie)	87
Harriet Walcott	(tie)	87
Steve Horwitz		81
Bill Haas	(tie)	77
Joan Watters	(tie)	77
Bruce Gorman	(tie)	66
Helen McCormick	(tie)	66
Margey Bennett	(tie)	58
Jim Moyer	(tie)	58

3 minute rule: You may not finish playing a hand if you have not finished bidding when the clock reaches 3 minutes left in the round.



"Partner, every day you play worse than the day before. Today you are playing as if it is tomorrow already."

Club News

We had 13 tables for the Christmas Party this year. N/S winners were David and Karen Hoffner; E/w winners were Elaine Potash and Betty Scull. Best dressed was a tie between Maria Crompton and Baby Vistenzo . We held a birthday celebration each month to honor our players who are growing younger, a Valentine's Day celebration, Mother's Day and Father's Day parties as well as celebrations for Easter and Halloween. Halloween best costumes went to Helen McCormick, Baby Vistenzo, and Layla Dalati (Check out our Year in Review book). We held a ProAm in September and had 16 tables; N/S winners were EmmaMay Goddard and Olga Christensen; E/W winners were Elaine Potash and Betty Scull; and a Sunday luncheon with 17 tables at the Avalon Golf Course; N/S winners were Marlyn Brown and Judith King; E/W winners were Warren Coupland and Akbar Samii. Monies earned from raffles were given to the Holy Redeemer Food Bank. We ended the year with a table count of an additional 14.5 tables more than we had during 2015. A Bridge Sorter and new Bridgemates were added to the club's inventory this past year. We hope our members are enjoying these additions.

TABLE ETIQUETTE

1. Move to your appropriate table as soon as the round has been called
2. Take your hand out immediately
3. Re Bidding Box
 - a. Take your bid out and place it face up on the table. Do not reach for a bid in the box until you are sure of your bid
 - b. No talking or discussion once bidding has started
 - c. No facial expressions permitted
 - d. Maintain regular tempo
 - e. Remember (b.)
4. Re Play of the cards
 - a. (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) all apply
 - b. Defenders do not talk (asking a question about the bidding, in turn, as well as preventing a revoke is okay, i.e. "No hearts, partner?")
 - c. The above also applies to the DUMMY...constantly reminding your partner which hand is on lead is not okay
 - d. It is not okay to play a card and not put in down flat on the table
 - e. The opening lead should be played prior to writing down the contract on your score sheet.
 - f. The dummy should be tabled immediately following the opening lead.

When the hand is over, the cards are put back in the trays immediately. The director does not want to wait for you in order to move the boards to the next table. Scores are now written in your personal score sheet and bids are verified on the Bridgemates.

Thought for the day:
SOME PARTNERS ARE LIKE SLINKIES - NOT
REALLY GOOD FOR ANYTHING BUT THEY BRING
A SMILE TO YOUR FACE WHEN THEY'RE PUSHED
DOWN THE STAIRS.

**Congratulations to our players making
Unit 141's Ace of Club's and
Mini McKenney Race's top 10 for 2016.**

ACE OF CLUBS RACE:

0-5 mps	#3 Layla Dalati	22.32
200-300 mps	#2 Bruce Gorman	83.19
1000-2500 mps	#7 Elaine Glauser	99.85
	#8 Judy Quinn	99.50
1500-2500 mps	#1 Karen Sylvester	169.68
	#2 Karen Hoffner	152.17
2500-3500 mps	#4 Harold Weiner	150.51
	#5 Jim Moyer	141.74
5000-7500 mps	#2 Margaret Coe	160.53
	#3 Betty Scull	133.86
Over 10,000 mps	#1 David Hoffner	151.10

MINI-McKENNEY RACE:

0-5 mps	#2 Layla Dalati	30.40
200-300 mps	#5 Bruce Gorman	113.19
1000-1500 mps	#7 Judy Quinn	160.20
1500-2500 mps	#1 Karen Hoffner	301.60
	#7 Karen Sylvester	200.47
2500-3500 mps	#10 David Cohan	206.60
5000-7500 mps	#3 Betty Scull	298.57
	#6 Margaret Coe	242.77
Over 10,000 mps	#2 David Hoffner	480.14

Player of the Year Race for 2016

1. 97.37 mps Bill Haas
2. 90.19 mps Bob Sylvia
3. 90.18 mps Karen Sylvester
4. 74.10 mps Steve Horwitz
5. 66.30 mps Bruce Gorman
6. 60.84 mps Bob Sherwood
7. 56.30 mps Peggy Coe
8. 47.91 mps Bob Weber
9. 46.18 mps Karen Hoffner
10. 45.50 mps Jim Moyer

2016 Slam Contest Race

Karen Sylvester		34
Bob Sylvia		31
David Hoffner	(tie)	24
Karen Hoffner	(tie)	24
Bill Haas		23
Bruce Gorman	(tie)	22
Steve Horwitz	(tie)	22
Joan Watters		19
Sandy Burns		17
Helen McCormick		16

**Congratulations to our players making
District 4's Ace of Club's and Mini
McKenney Race's top 25 for 2016.**

ACE OF CLUBS RACE:

0-5 mps	#13 Layla Dalati
200-300 mps	# 4 Bruce Gorman
1000-1500 mps	#14 Elaine Glauser
	#15 Judy Quinn
	#23 Steve Horwitz
1500-2500 mps	# 3 Karen Sylvester
	# 6 Karen Hoffner
2500-3500 mps	#10 Harold Weiner
5000-7500 mps	#12 Margaret Coe
	#16 Betty Scull
Over 10,000 mps	# 5 David Hoffner

MINI-McKENNEY RACE:

0-5 mps	# 8 Layla Dalati
200-300 mps	# 10 Bruce Gorman
1000-1500 mps	# 9 Steve Horwitz
	#10 Jim Rachiele
	#14 Judy Quinn
1500-2500 mps	# 3 Karen Hoffner
	#18 Karen Sylvester
2500-3500 mps	#19 David Cohan
	#20 Harold Weiner
5000-7500 mps	#11 Betty Scul
	#17 Margaret Coe
Over 10,000 mps	# 3 David Hoffner

Club Champions over the past year:

2nd quarter of 2016

Mon. Bruce Gorman and Bill Haas
Tues. Jim Moyer and Frank Caterini
Thurs. Jim Moyer and Layla Dalati

3rd quarter of 2016

Mon. Bruce Gorman and Steve Horwitz
Tues. Dave Cohan and Ron Small
Thurs. Bob Sherwood and Bob Weber

4th quarter of 2016

Mon. David and Karen Hoffner
Tues. Bob Sherwood and Bob Weber
Thurs. Karen Sylvester and Bob Sylvia

1st quarter of 2017

Mon. David and Karen Hoffner
Tues. Sandy Burns and Jim Moyer
Thurs. Bill Haas and Jim Moyer

From the Editor

I am almost a senior citizen and just realized I still have so many unanswered questions!!!!

I never found out who let the Dogs Out...? Where's the beef...? How to get to Sesame Street...?

Why eggs are packaged in a flimsy paper carton, but batteries are secured in plastic that's tough as nails...

Why women can't put on mascara with their mouths closed...

Why "abbreviated" is such a long word...

Why lemon juice is made with artificial flavor yet dish-washing liquid is made with real lemons...

Why they sterilize the needle for lethal injections...

Why do you have to "put your two cents in" but it's only a "penny for your thoughts"? Where's that extra penny going to?

Why do The Alphabet Song and Twinkle Twinkle Little Star have the same tune...?

Why did you just try to sing those two previous songs...?

Just what is Victoria's secret?

...And do you really think I am this witty?? ... I actually got this from a friend, who stole it from her brother's girlfriend's, uncle's cousin's, baby

With your help, we gave back

\$310 to Holy Redeemer Food Bank plus 246 cans of food

\$1000 to Our Lady of the Angels Building Fund

\$250 to the Father Ray Foundation

The 10 Commandments of Good Slam Bidding

1. Never forget "the magic of voids."
2. HCP are NOT the key.
3. He who knows, goes (or stays).
4. He who doesn't know – invites.
5. KISSing is fun. Being tortured is NOT.
6. Don't fall in love with your hand.
7. Greed is a terrible thing.
8. The length/strength of your trumps is often crucial.
9. You can't bid 'em all.
10. Know when to say no.

Yearly races (Slams, Wins, Player of the Year, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday winners) will run from January 1 to the Christmas Party on December 4.

Website

Check out our website@ capemaybridge.com for game schedules, pictures, and events

Also check us out and like us on Facebook: Cape May County Duplicate Bridge Club

Congratulations!

Monday Night Players of the Year: David and Karen Hoffner

Tuesday Morning Player of the Year: Bill Haas

Thursday Afternoon Player of the Year: Karen Sylvester