Ventura Unit Bridge Club BRIDGE BUZZ #54, SEPTEMBER 2020

CONGRATULATIONS!

On Wednesday, 8/26, Floyd Richards and Dennis Charles earned a 70.56% in the 1499er game.

On Saturday, 8/29, Katerina Bernbaum and Miki Thompson scored 72.50% in the 499er game. Kat and Miki are beginners who have stepped up and been playing regularly in our online games.

Great job!

ADVANCING RANKS

Bunny Raymond, Junior Master (5+)

Sanjiv Verma, Sectional Master (50+)

Finn Kolesnik, Gold Life Master (2500+)

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Rosemary McIntyre

WHAT'S GOING ON?

Heads up! The Tuesday 49er game (12:15) is being expanded to 0-99. We hope more of our beginning players will join us online in this friendly limited game.

It's that time of year when we begin looking forward to 2021. (Yes, can't wait for 2020 to be over) The Board will be forming its Nominating Committee to fill seats on the Unit Board of Directors. Mark Eckhout will once again Chair this Committee. Please consider volunteering to fill 1 of 2 seats being vacated for the next 2 year term. If you, yourself can't serve, you can recommend someone else who you think can contribute to the governance of the

Club. It's your Club. Let your voice be heard. You can let Mark, or any Board member, know of your interest. Don't be surprised if you get a call.

It still remains unclear when we will be able to resume inperson play. Therefore, ACBL has announced that it is cancelling all tournaments for January and February 2021. That means we will not be holding our annual Valentine's Day Sectional next year. Stay tuned...

ACBL has just announced a new Guest Membership Program. It's a way for players and students to try the benefits of ACBL membership without any cost. With a Guest Membership you can:

- play in any online Club or ACBL tournament game;
- earn up to 20 masterpoints;
- read online editions of the monthly Bridge Bulletin;

 receive ACBL Live and Live for Clubs results by Email.

Guest memberships are completely free, last for 120 days and are only available to brand new members.

Masterpoints will be filed as unrecorded and will become permanent upon joining ACBL with a full membership.

Sign up today at www.acbl.org/guest-join.

UPCOMING SPECIAL GAMES

Great news! ACBL has announced you will be able to earn Gold points at all Virtual Club games on BBO the week of September 21-27. Any points you earn that week will be 25% gold. As usual, the Unit will absorb the extra ACBL fees so there will be no extra charge for the Ventura Unit games. Get your partners lined up and play, play, play....

AND FINALLY....

If you are actually ready to join ACBL now, you can help earn money for the Ventura Unit by filling in some information on the application. By properly identifying the Club and "Recruiter" you can add up to \$30 to the Unit's bank account. When filling out the online application at https://my.acbl.org/membership/join simply enter the following where it asks for Recruitment History:

Recruiter #: 7833326

Recruiter Name: Roseann Buckley

Club #:131102

Club Name: Ventura Unit Bridge

Your Unit thanks you!

Let us know if any of your contact information has changed, if you wish to unsubscribe to Bridge Buzz, or would like us to add a fellow bridge player to our mailing list by contacting joshua.rosenbluth@gmail.com

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