

STaC week #2 of 3 for 2017 is upon us from Monday through the following Sunday and everyone except Hoppe is participating; **all those Silver yielding games have \$12 Card Fees** (now I don't have to write that again).

The remainder of this opening section has to do with honing your Bridge skills to get off a PP (periodic plateau), helping you get to the next level, or getting your friends/acquaintances into our Game Of Thrones Games.

Barbara Seagram is coming, Barbara Seagram is coming. Canada's loss is our gain on **Thursday November 16, 2017.** We're trying to drill down a bit on the details, but here's what I've received so far from Education:

Barbara Seagram is coming to Marin on **Thursday November 16, 2017.** Please join us for teacher and author Barbara Seagram, her teaching style will provide insight to all levels. Topics will be:

"Sherlock Holmes at the bridge table" and "Preempts for fun and profit".

Registration deadline is Nov 11th Cost: \$85.00

Register and pay online at www.marinbridge.com or make a check payable to Marin Unit 508 and mail it here: Marin Unit 508, PO Box 563, Tiburon CA 94920

Event to be held at the Pickleweed Community Center, 50 Canal St., San Rafael 94901

Registration 9:30 - 10am Class 10am - 3:30pm.

Questions: marinbridge.education@sonic.net

Bonnie Nackley announced her next two classes designed for **Beginners** and here's what she says about it:

Play and Learn Bridge - Come and enjoy the fundamentals of bridge with Bonnie. Certificated teacher 25 years in Marin, ACBL certified instructor and Life Master bridge player. Group lessons offered at Corte Madera Parks.

Course 1228 - Beginning Bridge Series 1: 6 Mondays from September 11 – October 16, 1:00 – 3:00 PM. This class is designed for the beginning student to learn and appreciate bridge.

Course 1229 - Beginning Bridge Series 2 – 6 Mondays from October 23 – December 4, 1:00 – 3:00 PM. For those continuing students, or "Born Again" players who know the basics of play.

Both cost \$125 for the 6 Classes. To register: contact Corte Madera Parks 415-927-5072

For Private Lessons or further information: Bonnie Nackley bnackley@gmail.com 415-250-6549

Barbara Prior announced her next class and she's calling it **Polishing Your Bridge Basics**. Here's what she says about it:

Join us as we polish our skills and have a few laughs over our mistakes. Some mistakes have to be made 7 times before our brain is ready to change. Ouch! We will review bidding, play techniques, and learn more defensive tactics. Classes are a good way to meet new partners and have fun. To get the most out of this class, you should have taken a Beginning Bridge class or have previous bridge experience.

6 consecutive Thursdays, from Oct 12 - Nov 16 from 12:30 - 2:30 PM

Margaret Todd Center in Novato

\$86 Novato residents/\$96 non residents

Register through Margaret Todd Center: 415-899-8290 or online NovatoFun@novato.org

Questions?? Barbara Prior [415-892-1856](tel:415-892-1856) or cardscases@aol.com

Remember, all our regular games, etc. can be found through our site: <http://marinbridge.com/>

Here are links to our Unit and District Facebook pages:

<https://facebook.com/ACBL-Unit-508-249516438506646/>

<https://facebook.com/d21acbl/>

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Bill Yeast

Membership

Marin Unit 508, ACBL

COMING UP (Remember: the regular games in our Unit are not shown - only special games, irregular games or outings are called out below). The **contacts** for additional info, partnership, or to register Teams are shown at the bottom by Club.

Tomorrow, Saturday, August 19th:

The 19th is the 3rd Saturday in the month so the B & P duo will be in action at the

Tiburon/Belvedere Rec Center @ 10:30 AM:

- Barbara Prior will be directing a **Limited Game** (0 – 750 MP's). **Contact info below.**
- Peggy Tatro will be directing a **Newer Player Game** (0 – 20 MP's).
DEAL-O-THE-WEEK: Experienced duplicate players are welcome to bring a friend or relative who has never played duplicate before. The regular duplicate player can help out at their table and play for **FREE**.

Monday, August 21st:

- The **Pickleweed Open Stratified Pairs** Game @ **11:45 AM** will be **STaC**.
- The **Terra Linda Limited (1900) Pairs** Game @ **Noon** will be **STaC**.
- The **Crossley Open Stratified Pairs** Game @ **6:30 PM** will be **STaC**.

Tuesday, August 22nd:

- The **Belvedere Limited (1900) Stratified Pairs** Game @ **11 AM** will be **STaC**.
- The **Pickleweed Open Stratified Pairs** Game @ **11:45 AM** will be **STaC**.

Wednesday, August 23rd:

- The **Crossley Open Stratified Pairs** Game @ **11:30 AM** will be **STaC**.
- The **Terra Linda Open Stratified Pairs** Game @ **Noon** will be **STaC**.
- The **Fuldek Open Stratified Pairs** Game @ **6:30 PM** will be **STaC**.

Thursday, August 24th:

- The **Terra Linda Open Stratified Pairs** Game @ **Noon** will be **STaC**.
- The **Crossley** Bridge Center's monthly **Team game** this night will be **STaC**. The **Open, Stratified Team** game begins at **6:30 PM**. Coffee and dessert will be served, please feel free to bring snacks and beverages to share. Sign up is at the club or by calling/texting or emailing Janet. **Please RSVP by 5 PM on game day.**

Friday, August 25th:

- The **Crossley Open Stratified Pairs** Game @ **11:30 AM** will be a **STaC**.
- The **Terra Linda Open Stratified Pairs** Game @ **Noon** will be **STaC**.

Sunday, August 27th:

The **Terra Linda Open, Stratified Pairs** Game @ **1 PM** will be a **Unit STaC** game – get your Silver here! Also, can you help with refreshments? Contribute toward making our Unit games the best with good eats! (Free plays to Unit games or cash \$\$ if you do – contact info at the bottom.)

Labor Day, Monday, September 4th: *(And last day of the Santa Clara Regional)*

Pickleweed and Crossley will be **Closed this day and evening only** for the Holiday.

Terra Linda will have an **Open, Stratified Pairs** Game @ **Noon** and sign-ups will be around real soon.

Saturday, September 23rd:

LEARN BRIDGE IN A DAY?® is coming to our Unit, so get your friends that expressed a desire to learn our game or return to it to attend this 1-session learning opportunity. Or take one of your kids or grandkids (those under 21 are ½ price). Patty Tucker, the creator of this very successful and fun program is coming to Belvedere to inspire and help beginners, those returning to bridge, and folks wanting to merely try it out to see what all of us are crazy about. The course is inexpensive, includes lunch and only takes up a few hours on a Saturday! You can find out about it all over our site, but here are direct links you can forward to your friends:

Learn Bridge In A Day Page = <http://marinbridge.com/learn-bridge-in-a-day/>

The flyer = https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B_LURY0bH1TFMFIxUEU1dG9TMDQ

UNIT 508 CLUB CONTACTS

For More Info, Partnership and to [Register your Teams for Team Games](#):

"BELVEDERE" - Barbara Prior at cardscases@aol.com or 415-892-1856

"CROSSLEY" - Janet Crossley at crossleybridge@yahoo.com or

Mon & Thu: 415-246-7357 Wed & Fri: 415-461-3171

"FULDEK" - Hannah Kishi at hrdhrtd@aol.com or 415-897-7664

"HOPPE" - David Blohm at david_blohm@hotmail.com or 415-332-9548

"TERRA LINDA" - Peggy Tatro at peggytatro@sonic.net or 415-299-7511

"PICKLEWEED" - Ellen Weingart at grammyellen@comcast.net or 415-461-5905