

UNIT 508 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION: Nominate yourself or a friend to be on the Board.

Want to keep bridge alive and well and back to our pre-pandemic levels? Well, now's the step up to the plate. We're looking for volunteers who love the game of bridge and have the time to help by becoming a member of our Board of Directors.

What does the Board do? Among other things, we...

- Meet once a month on Wednesday afternoons for about an hour.
- Put on our annual Spring Sectional.
- Organize the Unit Games.
- Organize the Christmas party.
- Organize the annual Election Party/Unit game.
- Plan special events, like have teaching pros give seminars.
- Plan to start up our mentoring program.
- Put out the weekly Blast.
- **Anything else, Melanie?**

Submit nominations to the Unit Secretary, Melanie Haddad at marinbridge.secretary@sonic.net. The slate of nominees running for the Board will be announced on June 3 in the Blast.

The election will be held on Wednesday, June 8, 11:00 a.m., at the Terra Linda Rec Center, followed by honoring the winners, 2020 and 2021, of the Ace of Clubs and Mini McKenny award, and then the **Unit Game**, which will start hopefully by noon. This will be Unit 508's first face-to-face Unit Game in over two years. **To welcome you back, all Unit 508 members will play for free!** We will have some lovely snacks provided by the Board, along with a variety of libations.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN IN HENRY'S BRIDGE CLASS: Henry's Defense class has two more sessions, May 19 and May 26, Thursdays 10:00 - 12:00 at Strawberry Rec. **Drop-ins are welcome.**

FULDEK LIVE BRIDGE REMINDERS:

- Fuldek's Monday game, starting June 6 in Terra Linda, will be a **499er game**. No partner is required, so head over there on the 6th and enjoy the camaraderie of live bridge!
- There are **only two more sessions** of the Monday 99er game at Strawberry Rec, *Monday, May 16 and Monday, May 23, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.* After that, join Henry's game every Monday at noon in Terra Linda.

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS: (Per new ACBL COVID rules, proof of vaccination is still required at all tournaments, but **masking is optional**.)

- **May 13-15:** Sacramento Unit 505 2022 Spring Sectional. Click [here](#) for more information.
- **May 17-20:** Reno May Sectional. Click [here](#) for more information.
- **May 30-June 5:** California Capital Regional. Click [here](#) for more information.
- **June 11-12:** San Francisco Sectional. St. Mary's Cathedral. Click [here](#) for more information.
- **June 25-26:** East Bay Summer Sectional. Click [here](#) for more information.

LIVE, F2F GAMES IN MARIN - ALL GAMES \$10: COME ON OUT AND PLAY!!!!

- No drinks or food will be provided at our F2F games, so don't forget to bring your own snack and thermos filled with your favorite libation.
- The state of California has a website that allows you download proof of your COVID vaccination onto your phone. Click [here](#) to get to the link.
- Masks are optional, but **proof of vaccination is required.**

Belvedere Community Center, Director: David Blohm. David's Bridge Club.

- Thursdays, 11:00 a.m., <4000 MP game.
- Fridays, 11:00 a.m., <4000 MP game.

Terra Linda Community Center, Director: Peggy Strong. Terra Linda Club.

- Fridays, noon, OPEN game.

Terra Linda Community Center, Director Henry Kingdon, Fuldek Bridge Club.

- Mondays, 10:00 a.m., 99er game. Strawberry Rec Center. 18 boards. **Partner not required. Only two more sessions of this game: May 19 and 26.**
- Mondays, ???, 499er game, starting June 6 in Terra Linda. **Partner not required.**
- Wednesdays, noon, OPEN. Terra Linda Community Center. Please come with a partner.

UNIT 508 CLUB DIRECTOR CONTACT INFO:

- DAVID BLOHM (Belvedere): David_blohm@hotmail.com or 415-332-9548 or 415-272-8329.
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- PEGGY STRONG: strongpeggy100@gmail.com or [415-299-7511](tel:415-299-7511)

VIRTUAL GAMES ON BBO

- **ONE MARIN VIRTUAL GAME:** Monday morning, 0-2300 MP, 11:40 a.m., 18 boards, BB\$6, directed by Peggy Strong, 415.299.7511 or strongpeggy100@gmail.com. You can find the results of this game to our website by clicking [here](#) and look under Terra Linda games.
- **Pooled Virtual Club Games (VCGs):** 1) **Santa Rosa Bridge Gallery's VCG** schedule (includes special, one-off games). To find the schedule, click [here](#). 2) **SE Carolina Club.** Click [here](#) for information and their schedule of **games.**

ACBL PAIRS GAMES AND OTHER GOODIES ON BBO

- **ACBL offers many games on BBO:** Pairs, open and 499'er, Swiss Teams, Express (formerly Speedball) and individual. To see the schedule of these games, sign into BBO, click on "ACBL World" under "Featured Areas," and at the bottom of the screen in blue you'll see "ACBL Schedule." Click on the schedule and you'll see the games and their times. **Remember, the times are Eastern.**
- In addition to all listed regular games, there are **ACBL Robot Tournaments** throughout the day. Just click on ACBL World on BBO and all tournaments up to two hours ahead will be listed.
- **All-Western 99er Nite Club, BBO only.**
 - 2-board 0-100 MPs ACBL Virtual Games, awarding masterpoints® Mondays-Thursdays 6:30PM PT
 - Special 0-20 MPs game Tuesdays 6:20PM PT

- Both followed by post-game analysis on Zoom, hosted by our districts' finest teachers
- Click [here](#) to see the flyer.

INTERESTED IN THE 2022 GNT (Grand National Teams): Click [here](#) for information.

USEFUL LINKS:

- 2021 ACBL BBO Event Schedule, click [here](#)
- All-Western 99er NiteClub, click [here](#)
- Our Website, where you can find this newsletter: <https://marinbridge.com/>
- Unit 508 Facebook page, click [here](#)
- District 21 Website, click [here](#)
- District 21 Facebook page, click [here](#)
- District 21 Newsletter, **Diam♦nd in the Ruff**, click [here](#)
- Unit 508 BBO Quick Reference Guide, click [here](#).

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