

# Newsletter

of the

## Little Rock Duplicate Bridge Club

March 2004

### Tournament Report

#### Sarasota Regional, Sarasota, FL

- David Siebert & teammates—2nd in Bracket I KO (16 teams)
- David Siebert & partner—4th in A in Senior Pairs (143 pairs)

### RECORD MONTH!

**THE JANUARY 2004 TABLE COUNT AT THE BRIDGE HOUSE WAS THE HIGHEST MONTHLY COUNT IN ALMOST 10 YEARS!**

#### District 10 STaC

- Helen Abbott & Tommye Davis—3rd in A in Open Pairs (102 pairs)
- Betsy Berry & Madalyn Reinhardt—19th in A in Open Pairs (396 pairs)
- Betsy Berry & Walter Ely—2nd in A in Open Pairs (129 pairs)
- David Cockcroft & Ann Ferrill—15th in A in Open Pairs (345 pairs)
- Marilyn Drinkwater & Mary Puckett—14th in A/2nd in

B in Open Pairs (396 pairs)

- Bonnie Fincher & Norma Campbell—15/16 in B in Open Pairs (570 pairs)
- Bonnie Fincher & Barbara Miles—1st in A in 0–300 Pairs (19 pairs)
- Margie France & Sherry Wortsmit—4th in A/2nd in B & C in 0–300 Pairs (19 pairs)
- Carolyn Harman & Betty Karnes—23rd in A/10th in B in Open Pairs (531 pairs)
- Fran Harp & Bert Turner—6th in C in Open Pairs (396 pairs); 5th in C in Open Pairs (129 pairs)
- Mabel Henderson & Frances Wilson—7th in A in Open Pairs (531 pairs)
- Gerald Koonce & Bonnie Melchior—2nd in A in Open Pairs (102 pairs)
- Ann Lewis & Diane Lord—4th in B/2nd in C in Open Pairs (102 pairs)
- Gene Marques & Frances Wilson—6th in B in Open Pairs (102 pairs)
- Elois McAfee & Ethel Wilson—6th in A in 0–300 Pairs (19 pairs)
- George McKeown & partner—21st in A/10th in B/4th in C in Open Pairs (531 pairs)
- Kathy Miller & Marilyn Watt—8/9 in A in Open Pairs (531 pairs); 8th in A in Open Pairs (321 pairs)
- Kathy Miller & partner—16th in A in Open Pairs (345 pairs)
- Mollie Molitor & Dot Moore—5th in A/3rd in B & C in 0–300 Pairs (19 pairs)
- Ginger Quinn & Claudia Ragon—3rd in A/1st in B & C in 0–300 Pairs (19 pairs)
- Sherri Rowland & Luraette Tucker—4th in B & C in 0–300 Pairs (19 pairs)
- Jane Teed & Jan Trotter—2nd in A in 0–300 Pairs (19 pairs) ♣

### OPEN GAMES

MONDAY	11:00 A.M.
TUESDAY	7:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY (0–300)	9:30 A.M.–12:30 P.M.
THURSDAY	11:00 A.M.
THURSDAY (0–300)	7:00 P.M.
FRIDAY	7:30 P.M.
SATURDAY	12:30 P.M.
SUNDAY	1:30 P.M.

*All games are stratified when possible.*

*All games are non-smoking. ↔*

# February Board Minutes

**Jo Blanchard, Secretary**

February 8, 2004

Margaret Kelley called the meeting to order. The attendees were Jo Blanchard, Norma Campbell, Mike Compton, Tommye Davis, Ann Ferrill, Dick Heil, Barbara Miles, Lou Morris, Rick Lowens, and Diane Tait.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, amended, approved, and seconded.

A written treasurer's report was not provided for this meeting but Rick noted that the table count for January 2004 is 270.5 tables—the highest monthly count since 1995. He also noted that we currently have 202 paid members.

## OLD BUSINESS:

Dick provided an education proposal for the board's review which includes suggested fees to be paid by students and suggested fees to be paid to instructors. Since the Bridge House is responsible for education, the (LRDBC) board asked that the proposal be given to the Bridge House board members for review.

Flyers and posters were discussed and will be made for the April Little Rock Tournament.

The 2004 directory is at the printers and copies should be ready by next week. Reimbursement for some of the fees associated with the directory will be submitted to ACBL for refund.

The Master-Novice games were discussed and will continue to be scheduled on the 4th Tuesday of each month. The next game is February 24, 2004 and Ann volunteered to post a list of masters. It was noted that a number of prior novices who took advantage of this opportunity to play with the masters are now life masters themselves. The board asked for suggestions on how to promote and to encourage our novice members to participate in these games.

## NEW BUSINESS:

It was recommended and approved to add a crash bar to the front door. Handicap parking spots will also be marked.

The following parties were scheduled:

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### CLUB TOURNAMENT GAMES

TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 7:00 P.M.  
SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 1:30 P.M. (SWISS TEAM)  
THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 7:00 P.M.  
MONDAY, MARCH 15, 11:00 A.M.  
FRIDAY, MARCH 19, 7:30 P.M.  
MONDAY, MARCH 22, 7:00 P.M.  
THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 11:00 A.M.  
SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 12:30 P.M.  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 9:30 A.M. 0—300

### BOARD MEETING—*RESCHEDULED DATE*

SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 12:15 P.M.

### SWISS TEAM GAME

SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 1:30 P.M.

### HOT SPRINGS VILLAGE SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY, MARCH 12—SUNDAY, MARCH 14  
Bridge House Closed

### ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

TUESDAY, MARCH 16, PARTY 6:30, GAME 7:00 P.M.

### BIRTHDAY SUNDAY—*RESCHEDULED DATE*

SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 1:30 P.M.  
LRDBC members with birthdays in March play free.

### MASTER/NOVICE GAME

TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 7:00 P.M.

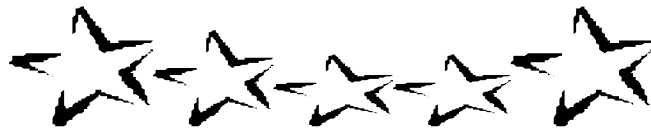
### ACBL CHARITY GAME

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 7:00 P.M.

- Valentine Day Party – Friday, Feb 13th (snacks).
- St Patrick's Day Party – Tuesday, March 16th (snacks). Norma volunteered to chair this party.
- Fourth of July Party – Sunday, July 4th (snacks).

It was voted and approved to close the club March 12—14 due to the Hot Springs Village Tournament. The Board meeting will be rescheduled for March 7th and March birthdays will be celebrated on March 21st.

It was voted to continue the terms of Dane Clay, Ann Ferrill, and Peggy Jett as the ethics committee for another year. ♦



## **HOT SPRINGS VILLAGE CARD CLUB**

Presents

### **A STAR-SPANGLED SECTIONAL**

**March 12, 13, and 14, 2004**

**Star-Studded Hospitality:  
Coffee and tea always available  
Play in two sessions - free lunch with soft drinks  
Wine and snacks after second session**

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## **Casa de Carta at the Ponce de Leon Center Hot Springs Village, Arkansas**

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### **FRIDAY – MARCH 12**

**9:30 am**    **Open Pairs Play-through 0–750, 750–1500, 1500+  
Memorial Pairs 0–100, 100–300 - two sessions  
Newcomers (0 - 20) Reduced entry fee**  
**Stratified Side Games Each Session (Note: single session entries welcome  
in pairs play-through games. Not eligible for overall awards.)**

**1:30 pm**    **Second Session — Pairs  
Newcomers (0 - 20) Reduced entry fee**

**7:30 pm**    **Open Pairs Games  
Bracketed Knockouts — Round #1**

### **SATURDAY – MARCH 13**

**9:30 am**    **Open Pairs Play-through  
Round #2 of Knockouts**

**1:30 pm**    **Second Session — Open Pairs  
Round #3 of Knockouts  
Newcomers (0 - 20) Reduced entry fee**

**7:30 pm**    **Open Pairs Games  
Bracketed Knockouts — Final Round (if needed)**

## SUNDAY – MARCH 14

**10:30 am Strati-flighted Swiss Teams  
(Lunch included with entry fee)**

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**All games will be strati-flighted**

A: 1500+                      AX: 0 - 1500  
B: 0 - 750                     C: 0 - 300  
D: 0/49 - 50/99             E: 0 - 20

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### HOUSING


**The Village Inn:** (1-888-922-9601) Mini-suites with 2 queen beds, refrigerator, microwave=\$68; 1 king bed=\$63

All accommodations within the village are 2+ bedroom townhouses or houses with 1.5+ baths, fully furnished  
- Range:\$60/\$120

A M Property Mgt  
800-524-0008

 Century 21  
800-643-1554

 CrossRoads Realty  
866-736-8478

 Progressive Realty  
800-467-6180

Triple D Realty  
800-847-6640

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Village Villas  
800-738-7368

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Offer 10% discount - mention tournament

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## MAKE TRAVEL PLANS

Check *The Bridge Bulletin* published by the ACBL or [www.acbl.org](http://www.acbl.org) for details on these and other upcoming tournaments.

## 2004 NATIONALS (NABC)

March 18–28, Reno, NV  
July 17–27, New York, NY  
November 18–28, Orlando, FL

## REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS TO CONSIDER

April 12–18, Gatlinburg, TN  
May 10–16, Oklahoma City, OK  
**May 24–30, Hot Springs, AR**  
June 14–20, Springfield, MO  
June 21–27, Las Vegas, NV

## NEARBY SECTIONAL TOURNAMENTS

March 5–7, Gulfport, MS (0–200)  
March 8–14, Las Vegas, NV  
**March 12–14, Hot Springs Village, AR**  
March 12–14, Nashville, TN  
March 19–20, Birmingham, AL (0–200)  
April 2–4, Metairie, LA (0–300)  
**April 16–18, Little Rock, AR**  
April 23–25, Jackson, MS  
April 23–25, Tulsa, OK  
May 27–31, Richardson, TX  
May 28–31, Birmingham, AL  
April 29–May 2, Metairie, LA  
April 29–May 2, Montgomery, AL  
April 29–May 2, Shreveport, LA  
June 3–9, Metairie, LA (Bridge at Sea)

*The Bridge House will be CLOSED during the Hot Springs Village Tournament, Friday, March 12 through Sunday, March 14. ♥*



## ACBL\_WIDE CHARITY GAME

**Next Game: Wednesday March 24 , 2004, 7:00 p.m.**

Two ACBL-wide week long charity events are conducted to benefit the ACBL Charity Foundation/CBF Charitable Fund during the Spring and Fall North American Bridge Championships.

Games with pre-dealt hands and analyses are \$7.00 per table.

Shuffle and deal games are \$5.00 per table.

Masterpoint awards are 100% sectional rated black masterpoints. ♠



St. Patrick's Day Party

Tuesday, March 16

Party 6:30, Game 7:00 ♣

## Local Leaders

### 2004 Under-300 Totals At February 26

Total Masterpoints	Name	Points
Less Than 10	Sheila Mehaffy	3.88
Less Than 50	Missy McCain	5.01
Less Than 100	Fran Harp	8.73
Less Than 300	Fran Harp	8.73

### 2004 Overall At February 26

Peggy Jett .....	25.04
Tommye Davis .....	24.62
Bonnie Melchior.....	19.80
Norma Campbell.....	18.97
Ruth Gilliam.....	18.21
Ann Ferrill.....	15.26
David Cockcroft .....	15.00
Betsy Berry.....	13.19
Helen Abbott.....	12.30
Ben Allen.....	11.45

## LITTLE ROCK DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

BRIDGE HOUSE

Tanglewood Shopping Center, Suite 122

7509 CANTRELL ROAD, LITTLE ROCK, AR 72207

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### Officers

Margaret Kelly 224-4045 (H)	President kclmfkelly@aol.com
Mike Compton	Vice President
Jo Blanchard	Secretary
Rick Lowens	Treasurer
Ann Ferrill	Past President

### Board of Directors

<i>One Year</i>	<i>Two Years</i>
Leah Lasley	Norma Campbell
Lou Morris	Tommye Davis
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