

## JANUARY NEWSLETTER

**Happy New Year!** Wishing 2021 to be the start of a very Healthy New Year. We would like to thank all members who have supported our Virtual Club games this past year and have enjoyed “seeing and being “ with you all. Our plea is that you continue with your support and for other members to consider joining us. Our Limited players have done a super job in the support of the Limited games. I am learning that a few might not understand exactly how the Open games work. From the time that we started – improvements were made by ACBL. Regardless of size, all games are now *Stratified*. (I hear from time to time – we don’t like small games). If it happens to be small – such as a Howell movement – you are still (most of the time) playing six rounds with different pairs every round. So it doesn’t matter – the size of the game. AND the best part – we get credit for the Limited games – so the Master Points are much greater than most other “club” games or BBO games. Even though we do not run games at the club right now – there are still expenses that continue – utilities, phone, internet, etc. Some of this money will be distributed to our club. Please JOIN US! Again, THANKS TO ALL that support our games!!

**OVER/UNDER** game is scheduled for January 10<sup>th</sup>. If you should need any help with partners, please contact Susan Wade. This has become a very popular game.

**SILVER POINT GAME** – January 18-24 is SILVER POINT WEEK. BBO points are double and award SILVER. An evening game will be added on Tues nite at 6:30, an Open game will be added on Sat Aft at 12:30 and a 499er game will be added on Sun aft at 12:30. Entry fee will be \$6/person as ACBL collects an additional \$1/person.

**NEW BOARD MEMBERS** – Congratulations to Veronica Barnes, Gainor Eisenlohr and Rich Welc who will be serving the next 3 years. We thank Kathy Blake, Martha Eubanks and Lisa Pharr for their service. A *very special thank you* to Lisa for her past year as President (and heading the Longest Day). She has served us “very well”.

**CLUB MEMBER NEWS** – Barry Bridges died of Esophageal Cancer in November. We offer our condolences to his wife, Angela. Congratulations to Tom Hunt for his marriage to Miriam Hines in December. Wishing them much happiness in their upcoming travels.

**CONGRATULATIONS** – *New Plateaus*

Club Masters – Susan Bliss, Meghan Holbrook

Sectional Master – Kathleen Gray

Regional Master – Karyn Brann

NABC Masters – Mary Robertson, Pam Rosen, Ellen Tobin

Advanced NABC Masters – Bill Johnson, Andrew Ringler

LIFE MASTERS – Nancy Conison, Laura Gilchrist, Cathy Miller

Bronze Life Masters – Nancy Conison, Rebecca Elderkin, Paul Winokur

Silver Life Masters – Andy Hsiao, Bill Kouri

Ruby Life Master – Lee Monks