

Is it just me, or does it already feel like summer? ☀️ Around here, the sunshine has definitely gotten the memo, and Memorial Day—the unofficial kickoff to the season—is right around the corner.

As those summer plans start lining up, don't forget to keep these upcoming bridge events on your calendar.

Looking ahead, our first event is the popular San Diego Spring Sectional, scheduled for May 16–17 at San Diego Oasis in Rancho Bernardo. Single-session Open Pairs and 699er games will be offered both days, with teams on Sunday—it's a great opportunity to enjoy competitive bridge, excellent hospitality, and a welcoming playing environment.

Lunch boxes will be available for purchase for players in the pairs events and included with the team entry on Sunday. Thanks to a generous donor, we will award NABC San Diego polo shirts to the top sectional winners, just as we did at the Soledad Grand Reopening in January. If you're looking for silver points or simply a great game, this is the place to be. To assist with planning, we encourage you to RSVP to [Lamy Agelidis](#). For additional information, please visit the Unit [website](#).

Our Unit Championship games are held on the first and third Sunday of each month. However, by the time this is published, the May 3 game will have already taken place, and the third Sunday conflicts with the sectional. We hope to see you at Oasis that day instead of the Soledad Club. The La Jolla Unit will be running the fifth Sunday Unit game on May 31.

We are also preparing for our annual *The Longest Day* fundraiser benefiting the Alzheimer's Association on Sunday, June 21, at the Soledad Club. Sam Madison has assembled an outstanding lineup of bridge pros this year, and Judy Rimer and Dee Willms are once again creating 30 handcrafted dolls that will be available for purchase at the event, with all proceeds benefiting the cause. It's a meaningful way to support this important effort while enjoying the opportunity to play with top talent.

For updates, please visit sandiegobridge.com. To participate in the Pro Auction, visit www.32auctions.com/TLD2026.

Several of our board members, along with eight others from different units in our district, are serving on the NABC local organizing committee for the fall nationals at the Grand Hyatt San Diego. From Unit 539, Lamy Agelidis is leading the event, Bridget is handling partnerships, and I am working on the restaurant guide and program.

I was lucky to be paired with a fun group of local food experts—Elaine Chan, Pam Lawrence, Malcolm Jarvis, Bill Bartley, Mary Hudson, and Kevin Chaisson—helping identify the best dining options across San Diego. If you have a favorite restaurant that attendees must try, please let one of us know. It's exciting to welcome the NABC back to San Diego this year, so plan early, as players book quickly for national events.

Our local clubs keep the games going and the community connected, with something happening every week. San Diego Bridge Club has resumed hosting its Friday game, which is drawing more tables each week and is quickly becoming one of the most fun games of the week. The club also continues to offer its Tuesday game at 10:30 a.m. at the Adams Avenue location. For more information, visit www.sandiegobridgeclub.com.

At Redwood Bridge Club, there is discussion of potentially adding Swiss Team games—a format that differs from traditional pair games by emphasizing team play and head-to-head matches. David Walters is gauging interest before making any decisions. If this is something you would enjoy playing, please let him

know. For the most current information, including game and class schedules, please visit the Redwood Bridge Club [website](#).

Summer, I'm ready for you—thank you for your continued support of our Unit. See you at the tables.