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Summer Sectional: We're trying something new for this year's Summer Sectional. Because many of you prefer to reserve Sundays for private time and family fun, we're switching to a <u>Thursday to Saturday schedule</u>. Mark your calendar for August 1-3 at Marina Village.

The event kicks off on Thursday with Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams at 10AM and 2:30PM plus Strati-flighted Open Pairs at 10AM and 1PM. On Friday and Saturday we will offer Strati-Flighted Open, 1499er, and 299er pairs at 10AM and 2:30PM each day. For those who haven't had enough, our normal unit game will be at the Soledad Club on Sunday, August 4.

In other unit news, there were 22 tables at the Cinco de Mayo unit game. First place in Open Pairs were Debbie Gailfus-Richard Gold, followed closely by Roger Doughman-Suzanne Lebendig and Steve and Kitty Cooper. In the 1499er game Marge Van Hemert and Susan Ehrhardt were top pair (with nearly a 70% game). Philippe Gagne-Jerry Astrove were second, followed by Mike Sloane-Nancy Mogck.

Kudos to all!

Congratulations are also due to some of our members for reaching new plateaus in their masterpoint holdings: Jeannie Abts and Mark Smith (Club Master); Peter Teaff (Sectional Master); Patrick Chen (NABC Master); Brian Castle (Advanced NABC Master); Maria Uhry (Bronze Life Master); and John Evans (Ruby Life Master).

Bravo and brava!

And we send very special birthday wishes to two of our favorite bridge playing friends. Shown here flanking Gigette Caldwell at the San Diego Bridge Club are Florence Seltzer (left), who turned 99 last month, and Ursula Pardo who is 90.



San Diego Club News: At press time the local bridge community was still in a state of flux while Adventures in Bridge (<u>www.adventuresinbridge.com</u>) continued to search for a permanent venue. Check your email and Wirt Gillam's AIB website for updates.

Redwood Bridge Club (<u>www.redwoodbridgeclub.org</u>) and San Diego Bridge Academy (<u>www.sandiegobridgeacademy.com</u>) hope to reopen soon at their renovated facility in Balboa Park, 3111 6th Avenue. In the meantime, games are held at the Chess Club, 2225 6th Ave. Check the websites for details or call (619) 296-4274. The 21st Century Bridge Club will not meet until the Redwood building reopens.

San Diego Bridge Club (www.sandiegobridgeclub.com) offers a sanctioned game (with a light lunch) beginning at 10:30 every Tuesday morning at the Columbus Club, 4425 Home Ave. The club is also holding games (with lunch) on Thursdays and Fridays at 10:30 at the Normal Heights Masonic Center, 3366 Adams Ave. The club will hold its The Longest Day event on Tuesday, June 18, and club championship games will be the week of June 24.

Check the website or call (619) 847-3001 for more information and any location changes that might occur.

April's winners at the SDBC were: Gary Mollenkoph & Sam Madison; Cameron Cotton & Greg House; Tom Herzog & David Abelow (twice); Jon Wright & Greg House; Lou Block & Manu Chaganlal; Andy Loh & Alan Rowen; Jo & Everett Boyer; and Bette Cornelius & Dan Dayani. Congratulations to all these fine players.