

Northwest Arkansas Bridge Players

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Focus On – Cheating Scandal

Recently the International Bridge community has learned of cheating by top-level bridge players.

The investigations are on-going; however, the evidence seems to support the allegations.

You may read the accounts of these situations at the links below.

The Israeli pair:

<http://bridgewinners.com/article/view/the-videos-speak-fantoni-nunes/>

Germany Withdraws from the Bermuda Bowl

<http://bridgewinners.com/article/view/germany-to-withdraw-from-bermuda-bowl/>

Comments on Germany's withdrawal

<http://bridgewinners.com/article/view/to-boye-brogeland/>

In addition to the cheating scandal, a top US player has received a very harsh penalty for what sounds like a minor mistake. You can read the story about Mike Passell.

<http://bridgewinners.com/article/view/the-whole-story/>

In response to the cheating situation, ACBL CEO Robert Hartman has posted a letter for us online.

<http://www.acbl.org/a-word-from-the-ceo/>

Bridge players have been caught cheating in Major Championship events on several occasions over the history of Bridge play. The regulatory bodies are investigating the current allegations. In the meantime, we will continue to enjoy our game and to practice Active Ethics.

Tournament Trail

3rd Quarter tournament results and the master point awards.

District 15 Summer STaC

September 7-13, 2015

12.98 John Jennings, Rogers AR
12.16 Marina Scott, Rogers AR
8.09 Becky Mincke, Rogers AR
5.48 Orman McCafferty, Mansfield AR
5.48 Landis Moss, Fort Smith AR
4.67 Mary Peterson, Gassville AR
4.67 Carol Stansbury, Mountain Home AR

- 4.25 Donna Uhrhammer, Mountain Home
- 4.25 Bob Lyons, Mountain Home AR
- 3.27 Joe Scott, Rogers AR
- 3.19 Bob Joyce, Bella Vista AR
- 3.19 Barbara Fielding, Bentonville AR
- 3.07 Len Fettig, Bella Vista AR
- 1.97 William Jordan, Gassville AR
- 1.97 Linda Jirka, Mountain Home AR
- 1.78 Lillian Timmons, Bella Vista AR
- 1.78 Dale Morrisett, Bella Vista AR
- 1.77 Lynn Lawhon, Mountain Home AR
- 1.77 Lois Smith, Mountain Home AR
- 1.72 Patrick McFadden, Rogers AR
- 1.72 Kevin Glasgow, Rogers AR
- 1.69 Elva Stone, Fort Smith AR
- 1.69 Ann Haggard, Fort Smith AR
- 1.68 Dave Lawhon, Mountain Home AR
- 1.41 Suzanne Ledbetter, Harrison AR
- 1.41 Patricia West, Harrison AR
- 1.38 Kay Hutchison, Mountain Home AR
- 1.38 Cheryl McConkey, Norfork AR
- 1.25 Gary Stumbo, Bella Vista AR
- 1.25 Fay Frey, Rogers AR
- 1.22 Susan Hall, Bentonville AR
- 1.22 Garland Hall, Bentonville AR
- 1.18 Ronnie Burns, Fort Smith AR
- 1.18 Darlene Ray, Fort Smith AR
- 1.18 Corrine Johnson, Mountain Home AR
- 1.18 Charles Nichols, Cherokee Vlg AR
- 1.18 Charlene Dean, Fort Smith AR
- 1.18 Arleen Donelson, Van Buren AR
- ... and many more with less than 1.0 MP



Bella Vista Sectional
 Bella Vista, AR
 Sep 18-20, 2015

- 19.91 Joe Scott, Rogers AR
- 19.91 Cole Spencer, Fayetteville AR
- 16.63 Len Fettig, Bella Vista AR
- 14.75 Marina Scott, Rogers AR
- 14.75 J Jennings, Rogers AR
- 12.14 Ronnie Burns, Fort Smith AR
- 11.88 Jim Wart, Bentonville AR
- 9.15 Michael Foley, Springdale AR
- 9.15 Brian Simet, Rogers AR
- 8.47 Thomas Graff, Fayetteville AR
- 8.47 Roger Koeppe II, Fayetteville AR
- 8.05 Judy Worden, Fort Smith AR
- 7.93 Robert Gromatka, Bella Vista AR
- 6.97 Linda McRay, Fort Smith AR
- 6.44 Peggy Treiber, Fayetteville AR
- 6.44 Jeremy Hess, Fayetteville AR
- 5.91 Kevin Glasgow, Rogers AR
- 5.25 Emily Jane Gaer, Van Buren AR
- 4.82 Sally Dungan, Bella Vista AR
- 4.82 Bob Dungan, Bella Vista AR
- 4.69 Michael Smith, Bentonville AR
- 4.55 Robert Dray, Holiday Island AR
- 4.36 Judy Bappe, Bella Vista AR
- 4.34 Kaye Cotton, Rogers AR
- 3.02 Joan Bain, Bella Vista AR
- 3.02 Barbara Francis, Bella Vista AR
- 2.87 Jon Fletcher, Rogers AR
- 2.87 Deanna Fletcher, Rogers AR

2.85 Jackie Nelson, Bella Vista AR
 2.85 Gary Nelson, Bella Vista AR
 2.68 Angeline Rowland, Rogers AR
 2.61 Julia Farrar, Lavaca AR
 2.61 Juanita Huckelbury, Van Buren AR
 2.52 Joe Patton, Bella Vista AR
 2.26 Pauline Longstaff, Bella Vista AR
 2.11 David Hirsch, Holiday Island AR
 2.11 Brenda Hirsch, Holiday Island AR
 1.95 Bob Joyce, Bella Vista AR
 1.95 Barbara Fielding, Bentonville AR
 1.88 Dick Ayres, Fayetteville AR
 1.73 Sue Rolfe, Rogers AR
 1.73 Ronald Rolfe, Rogers AR
 1.69 Darlene Ray, Fort Smith AR
 1.49 Roni Ray, Bentonville AR
 1.49 Mike Scarsdale, Harrison AR
 1.49 Kathy Scarsdale, Harrison AR
 1.47 Nadine Duffy, Bentonville AR
 1.47 Hilary Krueger, Bentonville AR
 1.46 Lillian Timmons, Bella Vista AR
 1.46 Jeanette Briggs, Bella Vista AR
 1.46 Doris Kenworthy, Bella Vista AR
 1.46 Billie Herriott, Bella Vista AR
 1.41 Raymond Lynch, Bella Vista AR
 1.37 Jacqueline Davis, Bella Vista AR
 0.85 Michael Schomaker, Garfield AR
 0.85 Andrea Schomaker, Garfield AR
 0.69 Diane Fischer, Rogers AR
 0.69 Beverly Cunningham, Rogers AR
 0.63 Mary Lu Butler, Rogers AR
 0.54 Sandra Gromatka, Bella Vista AR
 0.51 William Lucas, Mountain Home AR
 0.51 Delma Lucas, Mountain Home AR
 0.51 Corrine Johnson, Mountain Home AR
 0.51 Charles Nichols, Cherokee Vlg AR
 0.34 E. Fay Frey, Rogers AR
 0.31 Charles Lang, Fayetteville AR
 0.31 Alice Lang, Fayetteville AR



Tulsa NLM Sectional
 Tulsa, OK
 04/16 - 04/19/2015

5.16 Sue Rolfe, Rogers AR
 5.16 Ronald Rolfe, Rogers AR



North American Pairs (NAP)

Our Unit qualifying event was held on Sept. 12th at Holiday Island. Those players who qualified at the Unit level are now eligible to play in our District 15 qualifying event. It will be held at the Kimberling City (Branson West) Sectional.

Please plan to attend this Sectional.



Climbing the Ladder

Rank advancements 3rd Qtr, 2015

Junior Master (5+ MP's)

Club Master (20+ MP's)

Katie Anthony – Jordan, AR
Kathleen Markus – Rogers, AR
Eric Olsen – Bella Vista, AR

Sectional Master (50+ MP's)

Nadine Duffy – Bentonville, AR

Regional Master (100+ MP's)

NABC Master (200+ MP's)

Life Master (300+ MP's)

Bronze Life Master (500+ MP's)

Roger Koeppel – Fayetteville, AR
Tom Graff – Fayetteville, AR

Gold Life Master (2,500+ MP's)

Emily Jane Gaer – Van Buren, AR

** We are missing some rank advancements that occurred in June. Sorry.

Way to go players!

Tournament Schedule – 2015

Oct 9-11, 2015 Claremore OK
Oct 16-18, 2015 Salina KS
Oct 23-25, 2015 Oklahoma City OK
Oct 30-Nov 1, 2015 Kimberling City MO
Nov 13-15, 2015 Topeka KS
Nov 20-22, 2015 Overland Park KS
Dec 7-13, 2015 STaC D14; D15
Dec 26-31, 2015 Overland Park KS

See our web site for more information on tournaments.



Editorial Policy

We plan to make mistakes in the content of this newsletter. If we have omitted someone or misstated information, please let us know. We will cheerfully announce corrections in the following issue. Information has been collected from a variety of sources that we feel are reliable and whose content we believe to be Public Domain.

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Purpose: To promote contract bridge play in Northwest Arkansas.

Our aim is to build a sense of community among all of the bridge players – young, old, new, veterans, party bridge or competitive – Let's work together to promote bridge play at all opportunities. If you feel that playing bridge has been good for you, then accept the challenge to give something back to the world of bridge play.

Web Site

Several new pages have been added to our web site; including a Club Manager Section.

There is a wealth of information there. If you have not yet checked out the site, please do.

<http://www.acbl-unit-247.org>