



UNIT 484 NEWS

May 3rd, 1995

Potluck is a Success

Beginning April 13, the unit inaugurated a potluck at 6:00 preceding the monthly Unit Championship game. This proved to be highly successful as most players came early for the potluck and fellowship. The game consisted of 9 1/2 tables, championship rated, three strata. Overall winners, A strata, were Phil Selby and Alison Wagner. Overall B were Lili and Ted Haydon, and overall C were John and Patricia Duggan. The next Unit Championship is scheduled for Thursday May 11; come enjoy potluck at 6:00 and game at 7:00.

New 49er Game in Medford

The Medford club has inaugurated a new 49er game (for players with 0-49 masterpoints) on Tuesday nights at 7:00 in the Enid Rankin center. This game replaces the previous novice game (0-20 points) which has been discontinued. The new game has been well received and appeals to a broader range of novices and "future masters". Come give it a try. A stratified open session also continues at the same time and place for those wishing to challenge the best.

Ashland Celebrates, Gives

On Friday, April 21, the Ashland Club celebrated its 33rd birthday with a big party. Jo Lopez gave a brief history which has been printed in the club newsletter. Louise O'Keefe was given a corsage for representing those who won points at the first game in 1962.

On Friday, April 28, Ashland held a charity championship game, netting \$300 for the benefit of children in Oklahoma City. Aggie Morgan/Patricia Stanley won stratum A overall, EmmyLou Allen/Richard Ernst won B.

Unit Board News

(From the April 27th board meeting) The April Ashland Sectional was reviewed and considered a success: with a few bills outstanding, income appears to slightly exceed expenses. A detailed report has been prepared and archived for use by future tournament committees. Because of noise problems, future Ashland-based tournaments are scheduled for the new Ashland Armory on E. Main. The board voted to continue this newsletter on a monthly basis and get a bulk mailing permit, and to financially support the Director's classes being given by Chuck Burton on Mondays in May, prior to the Medford game. If you are interested in joining Chuck's classes, contact him immediately. The board considered helping buy bidding boxes for all clubs, and to support televising Audrey Grant's bridge lessons on public TV; a final vote on these items was tabled until next month pending more data.

Schedule of Upcoming Special Games

Thursday	May 11	7:00 pm	Unit championship game (potluck, 6:00)
Monday	May 15	12 noon	Rogue championship charity game (ACBL annual)
Wednesday	May 17	12 noon	Riverside club championship
Fri-Sun	May 19-21		Klamath Falls Sectional
Monday	May 22	12 noon	Rogue charity game, in honor of Bob Dickey
Tuesday	May 23	7:00 pm	Medford club championship
Saturday	May 27	?	Grants Pass, John Chillrud Memorial, 2 sessions (Call Polly Horton, 1-503-474-3386 for info)
Tuesday	May 30	7:00 pm	Medford charity game
Monday	June 5	7:00 pm	Ashland, North American Pairs Qualifying
Thursday	June 8	7:00 pm	Unit championship game (potluck, 6:00)
Friday	June 9	7:00 pm	World Wide Pairs, 1st session, Westminster Church
Saturday	June 10	12 noon	World Wide Pairs, second session
Friday	June 16	12:15 pm	Ashland club championship
Tuesday	June 20	7:00 pm	Medford, North American Pairs Qualifying
Monday	June 26	12 noon	Rogue, North American Pairs Qualifying



UNIT 484 NEWS

June 1st, 1995

Potlucks and Unit Games Continue

The unit games continue to gain in popularity. Last month there were 11 tables, and the overall winners were Mary Lib Voris/Dan Farrell, Stratum A, and Al & Eva Zenonian, Stratum B. Remember, these are championship rated, and stratified, offering exceptional opportunities for all. The next games is Thursday night June 8 at 7:00. Please come to the potluck at 6:00 for extended good times.

Mailing List Updates Wanted

This is the third issue of our new newsletter, and we continue to work on the mailing list. Two months ago, we mailed about 200 newsletters. This month, we're mailing about 300. If you are receiving this for the first time, and haven't played recently, please accept our cordial welcome to join us in fun games—see the regular schedule on page 2, and the schedule of special games below. If you wish your address added, removed, or modified, please call Troy Dean, 772-4244. For news items, call Bill Sipple, 482-2933.

Director's Classes Completed

Ten people recently completed the five session Director's classes conducted by Chuck Burton. In addition to the opportunity to direct games, they learned more about the laws of bridge to help in their own games.

Recent Results

At Ashland's club championship on May 1, overall winners were Pat Lockheed/Mary Lib Voris, stratum A, and Bill Sipple/Alison Wagner, stratum B. The Rogue club held two charity championships in May. On May 15 (for ACBL charities) Tony Alfano/Grace Martin were overall champions for both A & B strata. On May 22, the Rogue club raised \$250 in memory of Bob Dickey, to be given to Shriner's Children's Hospital in Portland. Lois Evans/Jack Barr were first overall A, John Adams/Tony Alfano were first in B, and Margaret Kidwell/John Gerling were first in C. On May 17 Mable Urano/Dot McKenzie were first overall A for the Riverside Club Championship. Lili & Ted Haydon were first in B. At the Medford club championship (5/23) Crystal Matlock/Betty Gee won the open (both A & B strata), while Ruth Berry/Pauline Donahue won the 49er game.

Unit Board News

(From the May 25th board meeting) The board voted to subsidize (60%) bidding boxes for all clubs, and to support televising Audrey Grant's bridge lessons on public TV if a reasonable viewing time (such as evenings or weekends) can be contracted. Oz Becklund and Jo Lopez will look into possibilities of liability insurance for the unit. Future unit board meetings will be at 3:30 on the 4th Thursday—the next is at Dan Scott's house on June 22.

Schedule of Upcoming Special Games

Monday	June 5	7:00 pm	Ashland, North American Pairs Qualifying
Thursday	June 8	7:00 pm	Unit championship game (potluck, 6:00)
Friday	June 9	7:00 pm	World Wide Pairs, Westminster Church
Saturday	June 10	12 noon	World Wide Pairs, Westminster Church
Friday	June 16	12:15 pm	Ashland club championship
Tuesday	June 20	7:00 pm	Medford, North American Pairs Qualifying
Monday	June 26	12 noon	Rogue, North American Pairs Qualifying
Fri-Sunday	June 30 - July 2		Grants Pass Sectional, Fairgrounds
Tuesday	July 4	7:00 pm	Medford, regular game
Monday	July 10	7:00 pm	Ashland, North American Pairs Qualifying
Thursday	July 13	7:00 pm	Unit championship game (potluck, 6:00)
Monday	July 17	7:00 pm	Ashland club championship
Friday	July 21	12:15 pm	Ashland, North American Pairs Qualifying
Monday	July 24	12 noon	Rogue club championship
Fri-Sunday	July 28 - August 6		North American Championships, New Orleans



UNIT 484 NEWS

July 14th, 1995

Unit Board News

(From the June 22nd board meeting) It was reported that KSYS has started the Audrey Grant series, and it is continuing at noon on Fridays. Since the requested unit financial support was contingent on airing at night or weekends, funds are being withheld, and it is hoped that a repeat at a better time will occur later, perhaps in August. Joyce Irvine gave a report on plans for the upcoming sectional in Ashland, to be held at the new armory on October 27-9. John Gerling has agreed to co-chair it with Joyce, and Ken Lansing will be hospitality chair. Margherita La Hue is coordinating refreshments, which will be supported by donations from our local members. Please help support these people this fall. Oz Becklund and Jo Lopez continue to research liability insurance issues.

Embezzled Funds Returned

The unit has received funds from ACBL as a result of procedures due to last year's embezzlement within the ACBL Charity Foundation. Funds contributed by unit clubs to ACBL charities last year are being returned for distribution to local charities. The \$218 received has been divided locally between the Salvation Army and the Advocates for Severely Handicapped Children.

Newsletter Facts

This is the fourth issue of this newsletter. I was asked in March if I would edit and produce it, based on having issued an occasional newsletter for the Ashland club. It is produced using my Macintosh Quadra 605 with Microsoft Works 4.0 word processing, and printed with my Hewlett Packard DeskWriter inkjet printer. This is a fairly basic system, even minimal in today's home market. Ralph and Beverly Wilson have been doing the folding, stapling and mailing, and Phil Selby and Troy Dean have helped with the labels. The only cost to the unit has been postage and copying, altogether about 25 cents per copy. While I am happy to continue to provide this service, I encourage assistance. This newsletter can be expanded if someone wants to provide additional material, such as "monthly tips" or additional news items. I would also welcome help with gathering recent results. Similarly, I'm sure Ralph and Bev would welcome help. Such assistance would also help free production from the whims of our travel schedules. I'm also curious if anyone else has a Macintosh with Works 4.0, as the newsletter could easily be transferred to such a machine. If you wish to help, call me at 482-2933. And thank you for the many kind words of encouragement I've received. — Bill Siple, editor

Recent Results

During two separate sessions on June 8-9, club members got to compete with thousands of other pairs on a world wide basis with prepared hands. On Friday Mary Lib Voris and Polly Horton had high score for NS, and Gayle Jackson and Hazel Wiseman were high for EW. On Saturday Rick Purdy/Mustahsan Farooqui were tops NS, and Dick and Jean Finch for EW. Several North American Pairs Qualifying games took place, awarding 1/2 red and 1/2 black points. Overall tops in Ashland on June 5 were Dick and Jean Finch stratum A, Mike Tupper/Peter McCasker B, and Jo Lopez/Polly Riley C. On July 11 in Ashland Mike Tupper and Peter McCasker were overall winners for all strata. In Medford, June 20, Tony Alfano/George Oehrlein were first in A, Crystal Matlock/Bunty Lillgren in B, and Melody Alfano/Margherita LaHue in C. At Rogue on June 26, Marjorie Stober/Wilma Bonney were first in A and B, and Dan and Dorothy Scott in C. For the unit championship on June 8, Dick and Jean Finch were first overall. For the Ashland club championship on June 16, Oz Becklund/Geoff Lewis were first in A, and Milly Totten/George Oehrlein in B. For the Medford charity game on May 30, Scott Foster/John Retzlaff were first overall A, and Carole and Herm Yates were first in B.



UNIT 484 NEWS

August 15th, 1995

Unit Board News

(From the July 27th board meeting) The fall sectional (October 27-9) was discussed, and promotional materials edited and approved. John Gerling will handle publicity. This event will be held at the Ashland Armory, 1420 E. Main St. It was reported that the district expressed preference for the Ashland Hills Inn for future events. The reasons for abandoning Ashland Hills were restated: Basement rooms are unacceptable due to noise problems. Main floor rooms are ok except service has been poor, management has not been user friendly, and costs have been too high. Kemble will discuss these issues at the district meeting in Eugene. The dates (and location) for the spring tournament are still being negotiated, but it will probably be the last week of March. The August board meeting has been canceled. Liability insurance issues were again discussed, but decisions were deferred pending additional information. The next meeting will be September 28th.

STAC in September

District 20 has announced a district wide Sectional Tournament At Clubs (STAC) for the week of September 18-23. This popular event, last held last December, allows club players to compete with prepared hands against all other district clubs playing in the same time slot, up and down the west coast. It is a rare and fun opportunity to earn silver points in the familiar setting of our clubs. Games will be stratified as follows: Flight A open, Flight B each partner under 1000 masterpoints, flight C each under 300. Points will be awarded both for the local club section, and overall against all clubs. Last December we had several outstanding performances; as example, the partnership of George Owens/Tony Mason got almost 10 silver points for being first overall stratum C at the Ashland Friday afternoon game. Note that the clubs are charged an extra \$1.25 per player for these sessions, and that some of this fee will be added to the table fees. At this time, all of the clubs are expected to participate (see calendar) and the unit is holding a special unit STAC game on Thursday 9/21 in addition to the regular unit game on 9/14.

49er NAP Games

During the month of September, clubs are allowed to run North American 49er Pairs games, to qualify for district championships. Unlike the open NAP games held during June-August, there are no added sanction fees for these games, so table fees would be the normal club fees. The highest percentage score in the district will be declared the district winner and receive \$400. The runner-up pair will receive \$200. There is no national final. To be eligible, all players must have fewer than 50 masterpoints. Also, in order run a session, there must be at least 3 tables. So if fewer than 6 qualified pairs show up, regular game formats will prevail. Since the Medford club already holds a successful 49er game which averages more than three tables, they are planning to declare this game to be an NAP game for each Tuesday evening in September. Other clubs are interested, but not sure if they can draw the necessary 6 pairs. Currently, Ashland is scheduled to try one on Friday September 15. This is a good opportunity for all players with fewer than 50 points. If enough interest is shown, other clubs will schedule them.

Recent Results

On July 21st another North American Pairs Qualifying game took place in Ashland, awarding 1/2 red and 1/2 black points. Overall tops were Mary Lib Voris/Pat Lockheed stratum A, Elsa Sanders/Millie Long B, and Joyce Jarvis/Dan Farrell C. For the Ashland Club Championship on July 17th, George Oehrlein and Florence Hill were overall winners, both strata. And at the Rogue Club Championship on July 24th, Annie & Joh Faris were overall A, and Barbara Allen/Judy Corallo were overall B & C. At the Unit championship games, July 13th, Joyce Irvine and Bettie Buonocore were first overall (unstratified), and on August 10th Mustahsan Farooqui/Kevin Lewis were first in A, and Bill Harbert/Bea Ridgely first in B. Note that the potlucks still continue (at 6:00) before the regular monthly unit games.



UNIT 484 NEWS

September 30th, 1995

A Word from our Prez ...

(Editor's note: Kemble Yates, president of unit 484, has agreed to write something for us each month. Kemble insisted I keep the first few sentences! Your gracious support has been much appreciated.)

I hope you've been enjoying the Unit newsletter these last few months. We all owe a big debt of thanks to Bill Siple for his dedicated efforts in writing and distributing the letter. Two other people deserve credit for the newsletter: Bev and Ralph Wilson have done a lot of folding, stapling, and stamping—thank you both! I hope you all are making plans to play in our Fall Sectional, October 27-29. We've moved to the new Ashland Armory, and Joyce Irvine, Margherita La Hue and Ken Lansing have combined to make our hospitality better than ever before. Lots of newer player games plus stratifying the open games gives everybody a good chance to take home some points. I would like to ask for some help: we need someone to write a short letter each month to the Forum, the Western Conference newspaper we all get each month. Our Unit used to get a nice write-up from Ken Lansing, who eventually had to resign. Our friends from neighboring Units really want to hear from us. If you are interested in doing the "Travels Through Twenty" report for us (the Jackson County Unit), please call me 779-9894 or 552-6578, and I can answer your questions.

Unit Board News

(From the September 28th board meeting; there was no August meeting.) The fall sectional was discussed (see story below). It was agreed to make an effort to publicize all prize contributors following the event. It is hoped that the Armory will prove a friendly place, as it is expected to be used for future sectionals as well. The advantages of the armory vs. Ashland Hills Inn was again discussed; the primary advantage of the armory is our ability to provide free food and drinks and make it a "homier" atmosphere. The November unit game (11/9) will also be our annual election (potluck) dinner (drinks provided). Oz Becklund and Herm Yates will co-chair the nominating committee. We need 4 candidates for the unit board; interested parties should contact the committee. The board voted to purchase liability insurance for all the clubs, subject to agreement of the clubs. Each club would be required to contribute \$250. Ken Lansing agreed to chair the spring sectional, which will be March 29-31. Because of the timing of the tournament, the next unit board meeting is moved to Wednesday night, 10/25, 7:00 pm at Margherita La Hue's home.

Ashland Fall Sectional

The Rogue Valley fall sectional in Ashland is shaping up to be one of the best ever. **Free food and beverages** will be available every day. Margherita La Hue is coordinating food contributions for Friday and Saturday (please contact her if you haven't already) and there will be a catered lunch on Sunday. Ken Lansing has already lined up over 65 fabulous contributed prizes from over 50 companies, so your chances of coming home with more than masterpoints is great. There will be both novice and open pairs Friday and Saturday, and both novice and open teams on Sunday. All pairs and teams, novice and open, will be stratified. There will also be North American Pairs on Saturday (for those who qualified at the clubs this summer) and on Sunday (for those who survive Saturday). Alice Peck will do partnerships. Joyce Irvine is overall chair, and John Gerling did the early publicity. Note that the Armory is at the corner of Wightman and E. Main, just west of the Natural History Museum and the Forensics Lab.

Ashland Club Considers Changes

At its last board meeting, the Ashland club reviewed the attendance and finances of its Monday night game. Despite the long history of this game, attendance has been limited due to the influence of the Monday afternoon game, and the preference of many members not to travel at night. As a result the game has been subsidized this past year by profits from the Friday game. Despite the low attendance (6 1/2 table average, Jan-Aug), it is recognized that some players cannot play days and depend on evening (or weekend) games. Three alternatives are being considered: 1) continue to subsidize the game, 2) raise the fee for Monday only, to \$2.50 or \$3.00, and 3) move the game to Sunday afternoon. More details are being published in the Ashland newsletter "ALERT!". A member advisory vote on alternatives is planned in Ashland during the games of 10/16 (Monday) and 10/20 (Friday). If you wish to express an opinion and cannot attend one of those games, please call Jo Lopez (488-1844) or another member of the Ashland board.



Recent Results

The past month has been very busy with special games, with opportunities to win silver, red and even gold points at the club level. The week of September 18 is especially memorable, with seven special open games, plus a 49er game. In **club championships**, Nadine Berwanger and Marjorie Stober were overall stratum A winners at Riverside on 8/16. George Oehrlein/Betty Gee and Reva Nichols/Dolores Mangold tied for stratum B. At Medford on 8/29, Mary Finstrom/Margherita La Hue took A, while Carole and Herm Yates took B. And at Ashland on 9/29, Dot McKenzie/Sue Cobun were first in A, Bettie Buonocore/Margherita La Hue first in B. At the Ashland **membership game** on 9/8, Nadine Berwanger and Gertrude Woods took first in A, Florence Hill/Lineke Ledbetter took B and there was a tie for overall first in C: Margherita La Hue/Melody Alfano and Matthew Ben Lesser/Abdallah El Attrash. At the Rogue Membership game on 9/25 Betty Fastabend/Clete Christian were first overall A, John and Patricia Duggan were first B. There were two final **North American Open Pairs Qualifying** games, in which 1/2 red points were awarded. At Ashland on 8/18, Mary Lib Voris/Bob Scott were first overall in A, Bill Sipple/Emmylou Allen were first in B and C. At Rogue on 8/28 Velda Dickey/Mary Lib Voris took A, Annie and John Faris were first in B, and Donna Vaslev/Marge Barry took C. At the **Unit Championship** on 9/14 Geof Lewis/Pat Lockheed were first overall, and Tony Alfano/Erma Neal first in B. The week of 9/18 saw six **STAC (Sectional Tournament at Clubs)** games awarding silver points. At Rogue on Monday 9/18 Millie Long and Bettie Wightman were first in A with a 69.94% game, Marjorie Stober/Pat Lockheed and Gayle Jackson/Hazel Wiseman took B with 59.72% each, and John and Pat Duggan topped C with 59.38%. Monday night in Ashland, Dan Farrell/Joyce Jarvis were first in A and B with a sensational 69.91 % game and Roland Stenquist/Louise O'Keefe were right behind in both strata with 69.34%. Unofficially these were the top two games in the district for Monday night. Lineke Ledbetter and Gil Burton were first in C with 55.76%. Tuesday in Medford, Jean and Richard Finch were tops in A and B with a strong 67.91% game, and Carole and Herm Yates had the top C game at 47.86%. Wednesday's STAC at Riverside had Mary Lib Voris and Polly Horton on top in A with 67.77%, and Phil Selby/Alison Wagner in B with 62.4%. Thursday, at the special Unit STAC, Barbara Clabaugh and Emmylou Allen with first overall with 58.33%. And the final STAC game at Ashland on Friday saw Mary Lib Voris/Polly Horton tops in A with 65.15%, Joyce Jarvis/Dan Farrell in B with 63.45%, and Lineke Ledbetter/Gil Burton in C with 53.98%. As if these STAC games were not enough, Wednesday night saw a special **Instant Matchpoint** game where the winner got a gold point, and other awards were half red, half black. Dick and Jean Finch took first in this one. Finally, the month of September saw a series of **49er NAP** games on Tuesday nights in Medford. On 9/5, Vi McCalvy/Mahala Cox and Bob and Lois Boyle tied for first. On 9/12, and again on 9/19, Frank and Sally Sloan were first. On 9/26 Lloyd Neal and Murray LaHue were first with a 60% game.

Ashland Sectional Schedule

Friday, October 27:

Stratified Novice Pairs	0-5/20/49	2:00 pm (single session)
Stratified Pairs	0-199/200-499/500+	2:00 pm (first session) 8:00 pm (second session)

Saturday, October 28:

Stratified Novice Pairs	0-5/20/49	1:00 pm (single session)
Stratified Pairs	0-199/200-499/500+	1:00 pm (first session) 7:30 pm (second session)
North American Pairs	Flight A, B, C, Qualifiers	1:00 pm (first session) 7:30 pm (second session)

Sunday, October 29:

Stratified Novice Swiss Teams	0-5/20/49	10:00 am (first session) TBA (second session)
Stratified Swiss Teams	0-199/200-499/500+	10:00 am (first session) TBA (second session)
North American Pairs	Flight A, B, C, Finals	10:00 (first session) TBA (second session)



UNIT 484 NEWS

November 4th, 1995

From our President ...

Greetings! As this newsletter goes to press, we've just finished one of our most successful Sectionals ever and are gearing up for the annual Unit Potluck Dinner and elections. We had a whopping 201 tables at our new site, the Ashland Armory. In addition, there were 36 tables of North American Pairs on Saturday and the finalists on Sunday. The hospitality was unsurpassed: free food throughout (thanks to all of you who brought something!) and an incredibly long list of doorprizes donated by generous businesses and individuals. We all owe a big debt of gratitude to Alice Peck (partnerships), Ken Lansing (Hospitality Table and Door Prizes), Margherita & Murray La Hue plus Jack Irvine (Food Hospitality), and Joyce Irvine (Tournament Chair). Others who pitched in to help were Herm and Carole Yates, Ralph and Bev Wilson, George Oehrlein, Rick Purdy, Lineke Ledbetter, and Geof Lewis. I know I'm forgetting some names, but thank you all for your very hard work that made this tournament so wonderful. Now we get to gear up for a late March Sectional followed by a District 20 Regional to be held in Medford in late April/early May. I hope we see most of you at the annual dinner Thursday, November 11! —Kemble Yates

From the Board ...

(From the October 25th board meeting) The board heard a written complaint that in most club games with a half table, EW has to sit out. The request, to be passed on to the clubs, was that directors try to share sit-outs equally between NS and EW. The upcoming elections were discussed (see story below). After hearing that the Medford club opted not to participate in the liability insurance package, the board voted to support a package with the other three clubs. The unit contribution would be 1/4th of the total premium, up to a maximum of \$315 (based on the original estimated policy cost of \$1250). Additional insurance bids were encouraged. It was announced that Ken Lansing will chair the spring sectional (end of March) and Herm Yates would be unit chair for the spring regional (end of April).

ACBL-Wide Charity Game

On Monday evening November 20th, Ashland will host a sectional rated (black points) ACBL-wide charity game. All proceeds will go to the ACBL-designated national charity, Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association. Minimum donation to the Alzheimer's organization is \$1.75 per person. (Since some of this may be covered by club or unit donations, the exact table fee is not known at press time.) Pre-dealt hands will be used, and hand analyses will be available following the game. This is a great chance to support a worthy cause, and earn some extra points (winner gets 3 points with just 8 tables, 4 with 14).

Western Conference STAC

The STAC is back! In September we enjoyed earning silver points with the first annual Sectional Tournament at Clubs games of Division 20. During the week December 13-19 the clubs will hold the annual Western Conference STAC games, which are even larger than the September games, and which were quite successful last year. There aren't as many special games locally during this holiday season, so be sure to mark your calendars!

Elections ...

It's that time of year! The unit and two of the clubs will be holding annual elections in the coming weeks. It's time to honor those retiring, and support those newly coming or continuing.

The unit elections will be Thursday, November 9th, following the 6:00 potluck and preceding the game. Retiring from the eight member board are Margherita LaHue, Dan Scott, Ralph Wilson and Joyce Irvine. Continuing will be Kemble Yates, Bill Sipfle, Herm Yates and Oz Becklund. Nominations for new terms include EmmyLou Allen, John Gerling, Ken Lansing, and George Oehrlein.

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The Ashland club will hold elections on Friday, November 17th. Mid-term members of the 8 member board, all continuing, are Jo Lopez, Alison Wagner, EmmyLou Allen and Fran Levi. Current members nominated to re-run for new terms are Bill Sipfle, Pat Lockheed and Mary Bishop. Retiring is Evan Schuette. Nominated for a new term is Dan Farrell.

Continuing on the 8 member Medford board are Gloria Layton, Bunty Lilligren and Edie Duncan. Retiring are Herm Yates, George Owens, Betty Buonocore, Scott Foster and Mary Lou Boyles. At press time, new nominations are not yet known.

The Rogue club will not hold elections this year, as all members are in the middle of a two year term. Continuing members are Carole Ellis, Dale Forncrook, Grace Martin, Erma Neal, Reva Nichols, and Margherita LaHue.

The Riverside club, privately run by Janet Baker, does not have elections.

Recent Results

At the Ashland club championship on October 9th, Dolores and Evan Schuette took first overall in A, and Peter McCusker/Mike Tupper took first in B. At the unit championship on 10/12 Mary Lib Voris/Geof Lewis were 1st in A, and Diane Stewart/Herm Yates in B. At the Rogue Club Championship on 10/16, John and Pat Duggan were first in all three strata.

Ashland Sectional Results

As most of us already know, the recent sectional in Ashland was a tremendous success in many ways. Advance turnout estimates were greatly exceeded from the start when 87 pairs showed up Friday afternoon, causing a scramble to put up additional tables. There were nine full tables of novices (0-49, stratified), and two large sections (17 tables each) of open stratified pairs. On Saturday, the room was at full capacity as three flights of regional North American pairs events shared space with the sectional novice and open pairs. Hospitality soared with a wonderful array of contributed food and drinks, of giveaways like pens, key chains and paper pads, and with door prizes from fifty businesses. On Sunday, for Swiss teams and North American Pairs, the unit provided a free lunch of chicken, potato salad, cole slaw and buns, all in great abundance. Also, boxes of apples and pears were available each day. Overall, good times were had by all as the games proceeded in a festive atmosphere. There were, however, a few legitimate complaints with the new location at the new Ashland armory: the noise level was high, due to hard floors and walls, and some out-of-towners prefer a hotel location. As a result, the unit will have some hard decisions over future sectional locations. It will be hard to give up the home-style free food and ambiance of the armory for the more costly, more restrictive concessions at Ashland Hills.

In the results department, we proved to be good hosts as most overalls, including the first three overalls for all three strata open pairs both Friday afternoon and evening, were won by out-of-towners. They will be noted in an upcoming Forum. For the Friday afternoon novice pairs, Barbara Cloer and Marilyn Brownier were first overall in both strata, and Ralph and Beverly Wilson were third in stratum B. Saturday again saw most overall spots taken by our guests, but Dolores and Evan Schuette broke the trend by coming in first overall in stratum B for the 2 session open pairs. For the novice session, the teams of Barbara Cloer/ Marilyn Brownier and Ralph and Beverly Wilson again did well, this time tying for third overall in the top stratum. On Sunday, the hosts turned the tables and took all strata in the Swiss Teams competition. Chuck Burton, with his friends from Eureka and Arcata (Bob Bakalish, Jack Morrison, Steve Sellers), led from the beginning and easily won stratum A. Eleanor Swaim/Pat Lockheed/Bill Sipfle/George Owens won stratum B and Jo Lopez/Betty Gee/Carole Ellis/Tosh Challinor won stratum C. Bill Waugh/Bill Anderson and Bob and Nancy Zimmerman were second in stratum B.

The North American pairs event, being a regional, was dominated by the out of town heavy weights(!) The only local team to make the overalls was Kemble Yates and Steve Foree, who finished 4th in flight B (for 10.62 gold!). Dan Farrell and Joyce Jarvis took an early lead by winning the Friday afternoon session of flight C, but fell out of the overalls in the end. Geof Lewis and Lineke Ledbetter also put up a good fight in flight B.

Among the masterpoint leaders for the three days of the sectional (all silver points) were: Chuck Burton (18.52 MP's), Bob Harkey (16.22), Walt Ensminger (16.22), Bob Robinson (7.3), Gloria Forster (6.54), Evan and Dolores Schuette (5.92), Art Birnbaum (5.73), Bill Sipfle (5.68), George Owens (5.06), Pat Lockheed and Eleanor Swaim (4.94), Hazel Wiseman (4.24), Marjorie Stober (3.83), Nancy Smith (3.73), Charlotte Robinson (3.51), Noreen Tibbet, Bill Waugh and Bill Anderson (3.41), and Jo Lopez (3.30). In all, 210 individuals won silver points in the sectional. Scores more won gold and/or red points in the North American pairs.