



The Tri-City Signal

JULY 2025

Unit 442 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE !

Summer has officially arrived along with summer vacations. As those vacations impact club attendance, it becomes a good time to begin to consider as many ideas as we can of ways to increase the involvement of players in our club games.

I know some ideas have been floating around recently but let me summarize my views on some of the issues. Attendance generally continues to be strong at our Tuesday noon games. However, our evening games (except for the monthly Unit Championship games) have attendance that is not as strong as our weekly afternoon game.

From my own viewpoint, the evening games are stuck between a rock and a hard place. Starting at 5:30, these games begin too early to attract younger players who are still working relatively fixed schedules. On the other hand, the games end too late during most of the year for our players who do not want to drive after dark. With our current playing facilities, there are severe financial disincentives if we cannot be out of the building before 9:00.

Our game room with our ability to leave the tables up and with our new chairs is a facility that may be hard to replicate. The rental rates, although recently increased, are still attractive. But the use of the facility is limited. The only times when the room is not currently being used on a regular basis are early Monday mornings, Tuesday evenings, early Thursday mornings, Fridays until 5pm, and Saturdays (unless there are special events). Each of these times presents their own issues and all evening slots still have the problem of having to be out before 9:00.

I would like to hear your thoughts both as to ways to make our evening games more attractive to our current players and ways to attract new players to our games.

Blake

JULY UNIT GAME

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2ND

Richland Community Ctr. - 5:30 p.m.

***NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**

NO GAME ON THURSDAY, JULY 3RD

**Thanks to *Blake Harrop* and
Usha Subrahmanyam for
refreshments!**

CLUB GAMES SCHEDULE

TUESDAYS - 12:00 noon

BRIDGE BUDDIES (TRDBC)

May come without partner

July 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

WEDNESDAYS - 5:30 p.m.

THREE RIVERS DBC

July 9th, *16th, 23rd, 30th

***SUMMER INSTANT
MATCHPOINT GAME**

**(1.0 gold point awarded to
section tops in each direction)**

THURSDAYS - 5:30 p.m.

HERBS CLUB

July 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st

ACBL LIVE LINKS

**<https://my.acbl.org/club-results/265033>
(TRDBC)**

**<https://my.acbl.org/club-results/278721>
(HERBS CLUB)**

CONGRATULATIONS!

JEFF & TAMI WESTCOTT

Regional Masters

***(100+ MPs with at least 15 black,
15 silver and 5 red/gold)***



07/02 Blake Harrop
 07/06 Doug Baxter
 07/08 Scott Colby
 07/14 Bruce Dudzik
 07/20 Chris Rogerson
 07/22 Tami Westcott
 07/22 Sandra Hendry
 07/24 Michael Curtis
 07/24 Doug Jones
 07/28 Arnold Ferguson
 07/20 Ron Seidl
 07/29 Deanna Strieper
 07/30 Scott Neuhaus

PENTICTON REGIONAL

Penticton, BC

June 10th - 15th

Leeanne Creech	15.48
Donna Parkes	15.48
Susie Ball	7.02
Jim Dukelow	7.02

YAKIMA VALLEY UNIT GAMES

Sunday, July 13th

1:00 p.m.

Grandview Community Center
 812 Wallace Way, Grandview
 Contact: Susie Ball 509-426-1243

Sunday, July 27th

Potluck: 11:30 a.m.

Game: 12:00 noon

Bethlehem Lutheran Church Manse
 803 Tieton, Yakima

Contact: Judy Gerstenberger 925-876-7395



ON THE HORIZON

PUGET SOUND REGIONAL

Lynnwood, WA

August 18th - 24th

LABOR DAY WEEKEND SECTIONAL

Olympia, WA

August 29th - September 1st

PORTLAND FALL I/N REGIONAL

Wilsonville, OR

September 12th - 14th

SUNSHINE SECTIONAL

Yakima, WA

September 17th - 19th

OREGON COAST REGIONAL

Seaside OR

September 29th - October 5th

MONDAY BRIDGE OPPORTUNITY

No stress, no cost, and no masterpoints when you play duplicate bridge each Monday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Shalom Church of Christ.

It is located at 505 McMurray Street which is just behind the George Washington Way Safeway. Call Jim Pierce, 509-430-9187.

BE AWARE

ACBL WILL NEVER ASK MEMBERS
 TO PURCHASE GIFT CARDS.

July Birthstone - Ruby

In ancient India, the ruby was known as the "King of Gems." Rubies signified power, leadership, and decisiveness. Wearing a ruby is thought to help with making decisions. The deep red color of the ruby is associated with power, passion, and confidence.