

June is here, and we're dealing up a grand slam of bridge games!

It was wonderful to see so many of you at our annual membership game on May 18, where we had 19 tables in play across both sections. We had a great turnout, and it was terrific to reconnect with many old friends. Before the game, Unit President Lamya Agelidis shared a positive update on our Unit's status. Although the fiscal year doesn't end until June 30, the Unit remains in strong financial health, with a balance of over \$55,000 and a profit of \$800 in revenue over expenses. Table counts are holding steady, averaging 15 or more per session, consistent with fiscal year 2024. Membership has dipped slightly, from 519 to 504.

Our NLM Sectional at Redwood last October was well received, and we're planning to host another this year on October 19. Similarly, our Open Sectional at Oasis in North County was a success, and we're pleased to announce that a joint sectional with La Jolla is scheduled again for August 15–16 at the Soledad Club. The Board of Directors will remain the same: Lamya Agelidis, John Boackle, Kathy Byrne, Greg Chaffee, Marjorie O'Malley, Jane Petering, Bridget Poizner, Mark Hartzell, and Robin Rodger.

Awards were presented to members who achieved significant masterpoint milestones, as well as to the winners of the Unit races in four categories. The celebration included a catered lunch and a celebratory cake. Photos from the event are now available on the Unit website.

We're also excited to share that the Board recently approved offering more catered lunches at Unit games. Our June 1 game was a perfect example; 20 tables came out to enjoy a wonderful day of bridge, along with a delicious homemade lasagna lunch. Join us for our Unit games, scheduled for the first and third Sundays of each month. Hospitality begins at 12:30 p.m., and games start promptly at 1:00 p.m. If you'd like to play in the 699er section or need a partner for any game, email Bridget at [bridgefun1430@gmail.com](mailto:bridgefun1430@gmail.com).

We're gearing up for our Longest Day bridge game on Sunday, June 15, at 1:00 p.m. at the Soledad Club. This special bridge event supports Alzheimer's research and helps improve care for patients and their families. Extra masterpoints will be awarded, and the Unit will match one dollar from each player's card fee as a donation to the cause. All table sanction fees will also go directly to the Alzheimer's Association.

Our [auction](#) to support TLD fundraising efforts features 20 generous bridge professionals volunteering their time. Bid to play with players like Ifti Baqai, funBart Bramley, Kitty Cooper, Paul Darin, Mitch Dunitz, Jason Feldman, Lynne Feldman, Steve Garner, Wirt Gilliam, Mark Itabashi, Aaron Jones, John Jones, Daniel Korbel, Sam Madison, Marjorie Michelin, Mark Perlmutter, Rick Roeder, Walter Schafer, Claude Vogel, and Phyllis Yates. Find more information on our [website](#).

Local artist Phyllis Yates will also showcase her artwork, which will be available for purchase during the game on June 15. If none of these options suit you and you wish to contribute, you can securely donate online via our [TLD Fundraising page](#) or at the table on June 15; a \$20 minimum donation will be recognized with a Judy Rimer handmade creation.

Our Summer Sectional, co-hosted with the La Jolla Unit, will take place August 15–16 at the Soledad Club. Saturday features Swiss Teams (Stratified A/X/Y and Bracket B) beginning at 10:00 a.m. Both days will also offer two single-session Open Pairs games at 10:00 a.m. and

2:30 p.m. This is an excellent opportunity to earn silver points and enjoy competitive bridge. See the flyer on page **xx** for complete details.

Mark your calendar for the Open Pairs Trophy Game on July 6. Winners will have their names engraved on the perpetual trophy, joining the ranks of San Diego's top bridge players.

Shuffle up, deal the cards, and see you at the tables!

#### San Diego Bridge News:

Redwood Bridge Club offers daily games and lessons for all skill levels. Visit their [website](#) for current class offerings, game schedules, and results.

[San Diego Bridge Club](#) hosts sanctioned games every Tuesday and Friday at 10:30 a.m. at the Masonic Center (3366 Adams Avenue). For more information, contact Sebastian at (619) 299-0026.